Saturday News from HCSD

6/27/2020 Update

Welcome New HCSD Families!

Dear New HCSD Families,

We welcome you to our amazing district with open arms (at a distance, of course!). I know you will be receiving direct communications from your school site with specific information regarding schedules, activities,



and other important information. This newsletter from me was started when we entered Shelter-in-Place in March. Please do take time to review the news shared in this communication and follow the links for additional information.

Please do not hesitate in reaching out to your child's principal should you have any questions.

With a Warm Welcome, Dr. Louann Carlomagno Superintendent





HCSD Safety Protocols and Procedures June 27, 2020.pdf This PDF is described in the Video Message above and is focused on Safety Procedures for the fall.



Developing a Culture of Testing for COVID-19

Dear Families and Educators,

Please consider participating in the <u>Baseline COVID-19 Testing Program</u> in support of communitybased testing initiatives.

To do this, you need to sign up and identify yourself (18 and over only), and then make an appointment. **The testing is free, and available via drive-through at the San Mateo Event Center.** The test itself involves self-swabbing of your nose from inside your own car. It is available whether you have any symptoms or not, and whether or not you have been in contact with anyone who has been infected. Because COVID-19 appears to have significant asymptomatic infections, it will help contain the spread of the virus for people to be tested whether or not they suspect they might have been infected.

Why should we all consider being tested?

For HCSD, as we plan to re-open schools in the fall with children back on campus, it would be helpful for our whole community to band together and attempt to limit the spread of the virus. Along with wearing face coverings, physical distancing, and hand washing, one helpful and relatively simple intervention would be widespread voluntary testing.

As a district, we encourage any willing HCSD parent or educator to get tested, for the good of our whole community.

Thank you for your consideration, Louann

Baseline COVID-19 testing program

In support of community-based testing initiatives

Help protect yourself and the people around you by getting tested through this program.

COVID-19 testing is open in <u>select states</u>: CA, CT, DE, ID, MA, MD, MI, NH, NJ, NY, OH, PA and VA, and we are continuing to expand.

Get started



Start of School for 2020-21 School Year -Possible Change

A request will be made to the Board of Trustees at the July 2, 2020 Special Board Meeting allowing HCSD to move all the professional learning days for staff, scheduled throughout the school year, to the week of August 17th. The change will push back the start of school for students to Monday Aug. 24, 2020 (rather than the previously planned start day of Wednesday, August 19, 2020).



We are asking the Board to consider this change so that staff will have time back on campuses to prepare for the significant changes in daily protocols and procedures in following all the safety guidelines that will be in place.

Students will still receive the same number of instructional days and the last day of school will remain the same - Friday, June 11, 2021.

HCSD Special Board Meeting / Thursday, July 2 at 9:00 am

Topics for Discussion / Approval include:

- Return to School Models
- Changed Start Date for Students for the 2020-2021 School Year

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Or join by phone: Dial(for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location): US: +1 669 900 6833 or +1 346 248 7799 or +1 253 215 8782 or +1 929 205 6099 or +1 301 715 8592 or +1 312 626 6799 Webinar ID: 825 1874 8525 Password: 772773

International numbers available: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kc6GG6AcmD</u>

If you would like to ask a question or comment during to the open session portion of the Board meeting: Members of the public can join the meeting via Zoom and will have an opportunity to ask questions or provide comments during the appropriate time in the meeting.

Meeting Agendas can be found by clicking <u>HERE</u>. The agenda for the July 2nd meeting will be posted on Tuesday, June 30th.

