

Mar. 27, 2020

## High School South Weekly Update

### A Message From the HSS Administration

Good afternoon HS South Parents, Students and Families,

I just wanted to check in with everyone after our second week of virtual learning. I hope things are going well and although this is still very new for everyone, you are finding some sense of routine for the time being. If I can help with anything or if you just want to say 'hello,' you can drop me a line on my school email ([dennis.lepold@ww-p.org](mailto:dennis.lepold@ww-p.org)).

Take care,  
Mr. Lepold

### School Updates

- **Assistance:** If your child needs assistance, please email us at [hss@ww-p.org](mailto:hss@ww-p.org).
- **Student Check-In:** High school students should be checking in with their teachers during office hours or emailing them with updates/progress on their assignments at times other than office hours, and finally by submitting assignments. Please do not let more than two office hour sessions pass without checking-in with your teacher through one of these methods.
- **WW-P High School March/April Calendar:** The Day 1/Day 2 virtual/remote learning calendar through May 1, 2020, may be viewed/downloaded [here](#).
- **Local Senior Scholarships:** HSN and HSS seniors are invited to participate in the district's local scholarship program. This program awards monetary scholarships to graduating seniors to help assist them in furthering their post-secondary education. Click [here](#) to view HSN and HSS's scholarship booklets.
- **AP Exams:** All parents with students registered to take an AP exam this year should check their email or click [here](#) for information from Dr. Lee McDonald, WW-P's Director of Counseling, Health, and Wellness.
- **Scheduling for the 2020-2021 School Year:** For those students who have yet to meet with their school counselor and or/case manager regarding high school course requests for the 2020-2021 school year, school counselors and/or case

managers are available via email or video conferencing Monday through Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. School counselors and case managers will be contacting students via email to confirm course selections made in Genesis and to answer any questions regarding the [WW-P High School Program of Studies](#). If you would like to schedule a video conference via Google Meet, please contact your school counselor and or/case manager. **All course requests are final as of TODAY, Friday, March 27.**

- **Google Classroom by Graduating Class:** Students are reminded, if they have not done so already, they should join the Google Classroom associated with their graduating class to ensure they are receiving important messages from their school counselor. If you son/daughter has not already joined and requires the classroom code, please have them email the school counselor.
- **Spam Folder:** During this period of virtual/remote learning, our teachers will be reaching out via phone and email to students and parents. Please check your spam filters to ensure that emails sent from your child(ren)'s teachers are being directed to your inbox and not your spam folder.
- **Yearbook:** The yearbook is now on sale! Go to [YEARBOOKFOREVER.COM](#) to order. All orders must be received by TODAY, Mar. 27. There will be NO EXTRA YEARBOOKS ordered. Payment plans and options are available.

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## District Updates

- [District Website](#) | [COVID-19 Information](#) | [Virtual/Remote Learning Website](#)

## Counseling and Wellness

- **Virtual Parent University:** In partnership with Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care, WW-P will be facilitating a virtual Parent University in the near future. The topic will be "Coping with COVID-19" to assist parents in understanding the anxious feelings, worries, and fears during these unprecedented times. We are asking for parents with questions/concerns related to social distancing, isolation, and quarantine to please submit them [here](#) so that they may be addressed by our clinicians during the upcoming virtual workshop.
- **Health Resources:** WW-P Health Services has pulled together [important health information/resources](#) for families.
- **Counseling and Wellness:** The WW-P District Wellness Committee has created a [website](#) to promote the understanding that wellness is an active process of

becoming aware of and making choices toward a healthy and fulfilling life. Students, families, and staff are encouraged to embed these self care resources into their daily routine.

### **Curriculum and Instruction**

- Click [here](#) for a message from Dr. Pamela Nathan, WW-P Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction.

### **Technology**

- **Broken Chromebook?:** WW-P students with Chromebooks that are damaged or in need of repair should complete this [Google form](#) (students must login to their Google account to access the form). Once the form has been completed, students or parents may bring the broken device to the front of High School North (90 Grovers Mill Rd., Plainsboro) on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

### **District Facilities**

- **Playground Equipment and Athletic Fields:** As WW-P continues to sanitize our facilities and practice social distancing, all school playground equipment/athletic fields/courts/tracks/etc. remain closed until further notice.

### **Registration**

- At this time, all student registration for incoming Kindergarten students for the 2020-2021 school year, as well as students moving into the WW-P Regional School District will be done by appointment and virtually until the district re-opens. Please [click](#) here for more information and to begin the process.

### **State Information**

- **State of New Jersey:** [www.covid19.nj.gov](http://www.covid19.nj.gov) has been created as the official **COVID-19** information hub for the State of New Jersey. The website includes up-to-date information, services, where to find assistance, job opportunities, and more.
- **New Jersey Department of Education:** Governor Murphy [announced on March 24](#) that NJ is cancelling all statewide student assessments for the spring 2020 testing window.

- **A Program of Center for Food Action - Hunger Free New Jersey:** This non-profit organization is working with its partners to inform citizens of rapidly developing changes to address hunger during this crisis. For information and resources on programs such as NJ school meals, SNAP, WIC, and more, please visit the [organization's website](#).

## **Communications**

- WW-P uses SchoolMessenger as our [district communication tool](#). SchoolMessenger integrates with Genesis. It is important to ensure that your contact information is up-to-date in Genesis so that you may receive emails/texts/calls from WW-P.

## **Board of Education Meeting**

- The March 31, 2020 WW-P Board of Education meeting will be conducted electronically in light of Executive Order 107's mandate for all citizens to avoid any unnecessary travel or social gatherings, as well as to remain home or in their place of residence. The public will be able to electronically view the public portion of the meeting via a link posted on the front page of the District's [website](#). The public will also have opportunities for community feedback and comment during the meeting through the use of Google Forms that will be posted on the front page of the District's website starting on Friday, March 27, 2020 after 3:30 p.m.

**Make sure to follow the district on WW-P's official social media pages.**

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