BHMSD Families,

In preparation for the end of the school year, BHMSD faculty and staff are coordinating a variety of activities to ensure our students, families, and community end the year as positively and safely as possible. The following information is intended to provide an update regarding our end-of-year schedule as well as share our plans going into summer break. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work to offer the best options for BHMSD students.

Technology:

For returning middle school and high school students in grades 5 through 11, parent(s)/guardian(s) will have the option for their student to keep their Chromebook over the summer break period at no additional rental charge. Chromebooks will continue to be monitored in the same manner as the traditional school year, and BHMSD Technology personnel will be available on a scheduled basis for support throughout the summer. Students and parent(s)/guardian(s) will need to contact the BHMSD Central Office to schedule a Technology Support appointment. The BHMSD Technology Department will remotely update Chromebooks for the upcoming school year. Parent(s)/Guardians will be responsible for returning Chromebooks to BHMSD in the event their student does not return to BHMSD for the following school year.

Elementary students will be returning iPads following the conclusion of the school year as iPads need to be updated physically by the BHMSD Technology Department.

Summer Programming and Childcare:

BHMSD intends to offer summer school opportunities to our students, but traditional in-person summer school will not be offered this summer due to COVID-19 guidance. With all schools throughout Indiana closed through June 30, 2020, BHMSD will be offering limited summer programming and a majority of summer programming will be offered virtually. Bluffton High School will conduct summer school via virtual learning. Summer school programming at Bluffton-Harrison Elementary School is cancelled through June 30. Additional information regarding specific summer programming will be shared as more details are finalized.

As of now, BHMSD Childcare will remain closed through June 30, 2020, as part of Governor Holcomb’s Executive Order 20-16. BHMSD Childcare will communicate as additional information and/or guidance is provided in regards to reopening the childcare program.
High School Graduation Plans
Bluffton High School is currently planning for an in-person graduation ceremony to occur in July 2020. At the end of each school year, Bluffton High School hosts a Senior Class Day to recognize and honor the academic achievements of our graduates. Instead of an in-person Senior Class Day, Bluffton High School administration organized a virtual program which will be shared out to all seniors and their families on May 19, 2020. Seniors and their families will be kept informed as all graduation related activities are finalized.

End-of-Year Schedule:
Each school building will be conducting drive-thru events to distribute student belongings and ensure all students have the opportunity to collect any personal items left at school.

**Bluffton-Harrison Elementary School**
- Thursday, May 21 (12:00 pm to 6:00 pm)
  - Drop-off & Belonging Pick-up Drive-Thru
    - Drop-off iPad/chargers, library books, textbooks, and other school items
    - Pick-up classroom supplies, medications, belongings, etc

**Bluffton-Harrison Middle School**
- Thursday, May 21 (12:00 pm to 6:00 pm)
  - Drop-off & Belonging Pick-up Drive-Thru
    - Drop-off library books, textbooks, and other school items
    - Pick-up classroom supplies, locker contents, medications, belongings, etc

**Bluffton High School**
- Wednesday, May 20 **SENIORS ONLY** (3:00 pm to 6:00 pm).
  - Drop-off & Belonging Pick-up Drive-Thru
    - Drop-off Chromebook/chargers, library books, textbooks, and other school items
    - Pick-up caps/gowns, class day certificates, locker contents, medications, etc
- Thursday, May 21 **GRADES 9-11 ONLY** (12:00 pm to 6:00 pm).
  - Drop-off & Belonging Pick-up Drive-Thru
    - Drop-off textbooks, library books and any other school items
    - Pick-up locker contents, medications, belongings, end of year certificates, etc

Thank you for your patience as we work together to close-out the 2019-2020 school year in a safe manner.

Sincerely,

Dr. Brad Yates

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