

Trask Parent Newsletter for the Week of March 22, 2020  
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*News & Updates*

- We are here to help you and your family during this unprecedented time. If you have a need let us know! We may not have the resources specifically through the school system but have many community partners that do. If you need assistance, fill out the form and someone from our school will be in touch within 24-48 hours.
- We have updated the Trask Middle Slideshow ([bit.ly/traskclosure](http://bit.ly/traskclosure)) with additional resources, enrichment activities, and opportunities to connect with us. Teachers have provided additional supplemental resources for the week of March 23-27. These assignments are not designed to be punitive, but to help students supplement prior learning. You can also access resources provided by the district.
- Beginning next week, buildings will only be open to the public between 11:00-1:00. We continue to follow the guidelines of the CDC for cleaning and disinfecting our facilities. These procedures are similar to those standard procedures we follow during the cold and flu season. However, we have increased efforts in heavy traffic areas, common areas and disinfecting those items frequently touched such as door handles, handrails, and other classroom/office items.
- We will be unable to host a rising 6th grade open house this spring. We are already planning our fall open house and want to make sure that parents and students' first experience at Trask is a great one! Are you a parent (or neighbor of a parent) of a rising 6th grader or student new to Trask? Please tell us what information you want shared during open house so that we can best meet your needs.
- On Friday, February 28, students received school assignment notices for the 2020-2021 school year. I have linked the Student Assignment Plan. The registration forms, including Magnet, Open Choice, and Transfer forms are linked, as well. If you have any questions, please contact [margaret.rollison@nhcs.net](mailto:margaret.rollison@nhcs.net).

*Information, Community Outreach & Resources*

- Information on the Coronavirus for NC can be found by accessing the link. NC State Public Health has established a phone number for public novel coronavirus questions: 1-866-462-3821. *This is intended for non-emergency general questions from the public and is encouraged to be shared and publicized.*
- You count! It is time for the 2020 Census and invitations are in the mail. You can respond **online** in 13 languages. Everyone can also respond by paper when a form (in English and Spanish) is delivered.
- Check out the flyer for Summer Camp and Sports Expo for students with disabilities.
- Attention families of 7th graders who took the SAT or ACT through the Duke TIP Program: you can apply for the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Youth Scholarship Program. The deadline is March 23, 2020 - click here for more information.
- Talk about peer pressure! Please read the article to learn about outside influences on middle schoolers.

*If you want to stay informed about what is going on at Trask Middle, sign up for Remind 101 and follow us on social media. We are on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.*

*Important Dates*

Events and activities will be rescheduled when school resumes.

*Quote of the Week: "Happiness can be found even in the darkest of times, when one only remembers to turn on the light". –Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban by J.K. Rowling*