



## WEST BLOOMFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

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# PORTRAIT of a GRADUATE

April 12, 2020

Dear West Bloomfield families,

Thank you for another great week of Cloud Learning, Team WB! We have enjoyed participating in class Zoom meetings, seeing videos of students demonstrating their learning and hearing from many of you the connections your child has been able to maintain with their teacher and other students. We know there have been “bumps” in the road and will continue to seek your feedback to make Cloud Learning both manageable and meaningful.

We have been disheartened to hear about poor choices some students are making while in their Zoom meetings with teachers and students. The purpose of video conferencing is to give students an opportunity to interact with the teacher and their peers in a time when connections are so important. It is a chance for students to get a deeper explanation of the work assigned and get questions answered. Unfortunately, we have had some students who have chosen to be rude and disrespectful during the class meetings. We would strongly encourage you to talk with your children about your expectations and our expectations when video conferencing. The same expectations for the classroom apply when video conferencing: students and staff are respectful to one another. It is that simple. We will continue to monitor the Zoom meetings and will enforce the Student Code of Conduct if needed. Our hope is that if we, parents and staff, share the same message with our students, the poor choices will stop.

Principals have scheduled parent Zoom meetings this week. The meetings are an excellent opportunity to hear about specific plans in your schools and ask any questions you may have. Specific information about how to participate will come from your building principal.

### **Parent Zoom Meetings:**

Doherty:

- Friday, April 17: 10 AM
- Friday, April 17: 7:30 PM

Gretchko:

- Friday, April 17: 11 AM
- Friday, April 17: 4 PM

Roosevelt:

- Friday, April 17: 10 AM

- Friday, April 17: 6 PM

Scotch:

- Friday, April 17: 10 AM
- Friday, April 17: 5 PM

Sheiko:

- Friday, April 17: 12 PM
- Friday, April 17: 3 PM
- Friday, April 17: 5 PM

Abbott:

- Wednesday, April 15: 4 PM

OLMS:

- Tuesday, April 14: 7:30 PM

WBHS:

- Wednesday, April 15: 7 PM for Seniors
- Wednesday, April 22: 7 PM for Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors

OEC:

- Date TBD--school will share details

WBTC:

- Date TBD--school will share details

**Starting this Friday, April 17, there will be NO INSTRUCTION OR ATTENDANCE.** We will have enrichment and review activities parents and students can access on Fridays. This is a great chance for students to catch up on anything they may have missed and get ready for the next week of instruction.

Please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions or concerns. Our students and staff are working hard and doing their very best. We hope you and your family are well and safe.

Have a great week!

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