

AACS



A Message From
Rick Kempton, Superintendent

May 8, 2020

Dear Eagle Families,

The inevitable news that Maryland's public school buildings would not reopen this school year was officially announced during Governor Hogan's press conference Wednesday afternoon. **AACS will continue remote teaching and learning for the balance of the school year. Additionally, to protect our community and support the state's efforts to reopen as soon as possible, our campuses remain closed until with no access until further notice.** This decision follows countless hours of deliberation and discernment among school leaders, taking into account the impact of this decision on our community and balancing that with guidelines and data provided by public health experts and government officials.

School Year 2020-2021

With respect to the coming school year, the school's leadership is researching and developing plans and safety protocols that will allow us to be back on campus for instruction and activity. I look forward to sharing details with you as more specific expectations for schools are developed nationally and here in Maryland.

Year-End Schedule

As more information posts from Maryland officials about reopening the state, I will share procedures and safety measures for digital equipment return, team uniform drop-off, and personal belongings pick-up. Principals will provide new developments on virtual events and year-end plans as details become available. Our [website calendar](#) provides a K-12 overview of all end-of-year events.

Calendar Notes

- May 21* remains a half-day for students.
- AACS is closed for the Memorial Day holiday, May 22-25.
- The last K-12 instruction day for SY 2019-2020 is Friday, May 29.
- June 1* and 2*, student half-days, are marked for campus-specific year-end programs.

Thank you for continuing to walk with us as we pray for the best, finish well, and plan wisely for next year. As I lift up our nation's leaders, the doctors and nurses on the front line, and our families, many of whom are faced with unexpected hardship, I think of the Thessalonians. Paul's first letter to them more than 2,000 years ago as they braced for rough waters is just as reassuring to us today:

Rejoice always, **pray without ceasing**, in everything **give thanks**; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Amen.

In His Service and Yours,



Rick Kempton
AACS Superintendent/Head of School

Maryland STRONG Roadmap to Recovery



Three multi-phased reopening stages, each with corresponding "gating benchmarks" required to begin rollout, are presented. Released by Governor Hogan last month, the plan is referenced frequently by state officials. Click on the image or the section header to view the full report on our website.

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