



06-19-2020

Dear Croton-Harmon High School Families,

As we wrap up our last day of classes for the year, I thank you for your partnership in supporting our students as we navigated this journey together. I cannot wait to complete this year's journey next week with the Class of 2020 Commencement Ceremony on June 25, 2020 at Croton Point Park at 4:00 pm. I invite you all to join our incredible senior class for their graduation by viewing the live stream of the event. A link will be posted on our website the day of the event, so please join us virtually! You can also celebrate our seniors immediately following the graduation at the car parade/procession beginning at approximately 6:00 pm [following this route](#). Our graduates and their families will process along the route in their cars and would love to hear and see you cheering for them! Please make sure to follow social distancing guidelines along the route and face covering guidelines if you are planning to cheer on our seniors.

Our Class of 2020 has been supported by our entire community throughout their last months of high school. Here is a link to a video that I sent to our seniors yesterday and I hope you will all enjoy it as well. CHHS partnered with the Croton Caring Committee on a "Seniors Cheering Seniors" initiative where we invited senior citizens in our community, many of whom are graduates of CHHS to share messages with our graduating seniors. Please enjoy reading their messages to our Class of 2020: [Seniors Cheering Seniors Class of 2020](#).

Textbook Returns

If your children were not able to drop off their textbooks today, there will be a table set up for book returns in the vestibule at the back parking lot door. You can drop off books there any day next week from 8:00-4:00. Please make sure that the books are labeled with your child's name when returning them.

Virtual District Art Show

If you have not already had the chance, please take a moment to view our incredible [Virtual District Art Show](#) . By clicking on the link, you will find the work of students from CET, PVC, and our own CHHS students.

Senior Updates

Please continue to check the separate graduation-related K-12 alerts that I am sending to families of seniors. Please remember to make sure to keep the envelope that is being given to your children today at the cap and gown pickup event and bring it with you to graduation on the 25th. It contains your parking pass, name card, and other important information, all of which you will need for the event. On the front of your parking pass, the time that you should arrive is indicated. It is very important that you come at your assigned time to allow us to get everyone checked in and parked so that we can begin our ceremony at 4:00!

Virtual Senior Awards Ceremony

Families of seniors who are receiving awards will receive a link to our [virtual awards ceremony on Wednesday, June 24 at 7:00 pm](#). You will receive the link then and can view the link at any time. Congratulations to all of our seniors who earned these awards that represent a wide range of skills, service, leadership, activism, and more. The link will be posted on our website shortly after as well.

Return of Chromebooks

As the school year comes to a close, we are asking to have all our district devices returned to us. It doesn't matter which building you return the device to. We need all the student loaned devices from all buildings returned, along with their charging cables, so that we can get them ready for the fall. We are setting up drop off stations at both CET and PVC to make it more convenient for you to drop off the chromebooks.

We have also created a drop off schedule so that you can just drive up, check-in and return the device and charging cable in a quick and organized manner.

Please find the [schedule and further details here](#).

Croton-Harmon Community Meeting on School Re-Entry

A Message from the CHUFSD School Re-Entry Task Force:

Although we are just completing this school year, we know that school re-entry for September is on our minds. As a school district we still await school re-entry guidance from the New York State Education Department. In the meanwhile, our Task Force has been thoughtfully considering elements of a re-entry plan.

Please join us for a School Re-Entry Planning Community Zoom Meeting on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. This is an opportunity to hear about the work of the Croton-Harmon School Re-Entry Task Force. If you would like to send in questions ahead of time, we will do our best to include these in the meeting. You can use [this link](#) to pose your questions.

Below is the Zoom link for our Community Meeting on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Hope to VIRTUALLY see you next week.

Croton-Harmon Community Meeting on School Re-entry Meeting Link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82923596282>

Zoom Meeting ID: 829 2359 6282

One tap mobile: +19292056099,,82923596282# US (New York)

Below you will find some reminders and resources from previous weekly updates to review.

Thank you for your continued support of CHHS, all of our students, and one another throughout the end of this school year. I wish you and your families a wonderful, safe, healthy summer. We will be working hard throughout the summer to prepare for next year. Please do not hesitate to reach out throughout the summer with anything you need,

Laura Dubak

Resources for Discussing Current Events with Your Children

<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/family/in-the-news/talking-about-race/>

<https://www.readbrightly.com/how-to-diversify-your-childs-bookshelves/>

Challenge Success Resources

[ADL.org resources and tools](#)

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/explaining-the-news-to-our-kids>

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2020/05/31/how-talk-kids-racism-racial-violence-police-brutality/5288065002/>

<https://www.healthychildren.org/English/healthy-living/emotional-wellness/Building-Resilience/Pages/Talking-to-Children-about-Racism.aspx>

<https://www.apa.org/helpcenter/kids-discrimination>

SAT Update

The Collegeboard recently announced that they are cancelling the June SAT administration and announced a plan for testing next year. They have announced an additional test date on September 26, due to the backlog of students taking the SAT. CHHS plans to offer the test on both September 26 and October 3 this fall, to help students who have not yet tested get a seat. It will be a good idea to sign up early as we expect demand for seats to be high. Please visit their website to review updates and we will keep you informed of any additional ones as they come: [Collegeboard Updates](#).

ACT Update

The ACT has recently updated their website with information about the June 13 test site cancellations: [ACT Updates](#).

More Family Resources

Here is a message and resources from Challenge Success, the organization that we have been working with to survey our students and families thanks to a generous grant from CHEF this year: [A Message to our Challenge Success Family during COVID-19](#)

And here are resources for Families from Putnam Northern Westchester BOCES including resources about setting routines/schedules. This link includes the archived issues of activities so you can see previous ideas:

[PNW BOCES Family Activities Resources](#)