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Dear Croton-Harmon High School Families,

Thank you to all of the senior parents who joined us for coffee and conversation this morning related to end of year events for seniors. I am thankful for the support of our community as we brainstorm and plan for celebrating our seniors. I look forward to seeing more senior parents tomorrow morning and working together to plan for our end of year celebrations. I hope to hold some opportunities for parents of students in any grade to connect virtually in the near future.

I am pleased to let you know that our senior lawn signs will be delivered on **Tuesday**! Thank you to our **CHHS PTSA** who is providing this gift for our seniors and thank you to our transportation department for helping us with the delivery process. This [note](#) will be sent again to seniors on Tuesday. Please support us in taking a photo of your senior by their sign and emailing it to me (families welcome in pictures too!) We are working on putting a video together featuring all of our seniors and need your help to make this happen. Seniors who ordered shirts will also receive them with their sign delivery. Thank you to Ms. Fiorini for organizing the shirt distribution.

I want to highlight a document that our district has put together to help answer some of the questions that you have and to store that information in one place for you to access. We have created two resources for you that address various questions you might have. The first is our [Interactive Frequently Asked Questions](#) where you can watch and listen to responses and a [Text-Based Frequently Asked Questions](#) version. We also have our [eLearning guide](#) that is updated periodically as an additional resource. I hope that you will find these resources helpful as we continue on our journey.

Congratulations to many of our juniors who were recently notified that they have been selected for induction into the National Honors Society! We look forward to recognizing them virtually in the near future (and in person when we are able).

Finally, I came across the comment recently - We are not in the same boat, but we are all in the same storm. We continue to check in with students regularly in different ways and know that students' feelings and experiences are changing as time goes on. Please reach out if you have any questions or needs or feel that your child might benefit from

additional support that we can help put in place. Please continue to encourage them to attend real-time check-ins with teachers via office hours as another means to connect with their teachers.

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. I hope you and your families are well,

Laura Dubak

Principal, CHHS

August Regents Update

In addition to the June Regents being cancelled by New York State, we received notification that the August Regents will also be cancelled. More information can be accessed from this memo sent by Interim Commissioner Tahoe: [August Regents Update](#).

Ways to Get Involved

Our counselors shared some information with students today about ways students can get involved in serving the community now with the Croton Face Mask Makers and the Croton Caring Committee. We are updating our [guidance site](#) with opportunities as they come up, so please feel free to check there for new opportunities we come across. We will send them to students via weekly emails as well. If you have any service opportunities that you become aware of, please share them with us so that we can post them and share with our students as well.

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 not updated their website besides the cancellation of the April date so far: [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](#)

AP Exams Update

The Collegeboard has updated their website with date and time options for the AP Exams:

<https://apcoronavirusupdates.collegeboard.org/educators/taking-the-exams/ap-exam-schedule>. You will see the early and late testing dates reflected on this schedule.

ELearning Reminders

It is very important to the safety of students and staff that we all do our part in creating a safe and productive online learning experience. As students and teachers continue to use real-time and online instructional tools and platforms, please be reminded that students are not to engage in the use of technology with the purpose to cause others personal humiliation or embarrassment. The Code of Conduct applies to all online interactions that students engage in utilizing their school account and/or involving their participation in eLearning.

As everyone continues to transition to remote learning, please remember that it is important to protect the privacy of our children, and we need everyone's cooperation to do this. We ask that you not take screenshots or record any online session, especially with identifying student information visible on the device. We appreciate your

cooperation with the above, so that we can maintain the safety and privacy of our students.

Finally, please remind your children that during live sessions like google meets for classes or for office hours, they should remember it is still a school setting (i.e. try to avoid meeting from their bedroom and they should not be meeting from their bed). Thank you for help with this!

Here is a [link to our board policy regarding internet safety](#).

Reporting Absences

As a reminder, if for any reason, your child is unable to attend to eLearning on any given day, they must be reported absent by a parent or guardian. An absence can be reported by sending an email from a parent or guardian's email account to Phyllis Cobb: phyllis.cobb@chufsd.org

Child Nutrition Program

Those students that qualify for free and reduced meals can continue to pick-up meals at the main entrance of PVC Middle School between 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Monday (3 meals) and Thursday (2 meals).