



“News & Views”

April 3, 2020

Hello Husky Families,

Governor Whitmer’s announcement yesterday was a blow to all of us. Holly Academy staff and Board of Directors are heartbroken that in-person teaching cannot occur for the remainder of the 19/20 school year. However, we are committed to continuing education in a new form for the next two and a half months. We know that our remarkable Huskies are up for the challenge!

All Michigan school districts must have a plan in place by April 28th that includes grade appropriate and standards-based content, technology support, alternatives to online learning as needed, and expectations for screen time and amount of assignments. Our plan will be completed to implement the week of April 20th.

For the week of April 6th:

- Your child will complete the packet that will be sent via Skyward. For grades 2 - 8, the packets will also be uploaded to Google Classroom on Monday, April 6th.
- **You are not required to print the packet.** please complete the assignments on separate paper.
- For those of you that requested paper copies, they were sent out in the U.S. Mail yesterday.
- Hold the completed packets at home until notified.

For the week of April 13th:

- Your child will complete the packet that will be sent via Skyward. For grades 2 - 8, the packets will also be uploaded to Google Classroom on Monday, April 13th.
- We will send out the packets to the same families who have already requested them on April 6th for the week of April 13th.
- **You are not required to print the packet.** please complete the assignments on separate paper.
- Hold the completed packets at home until notified.

For the week of April 20th and thereafter:

- A combination of online learning and paper/pencil packets.
- We will communicate our continuity of learning plan as soon as it is completed and approved by CMU and the Oakland ISD.

One of the challenges of working from home has been completion of report cards. Report card grades for third and fourth term will be in electronic form, only. On April 8th all third marking period final grades will be available in Skyward. Please go to family access and click on “gradebook” on the left side of the screen. If you have more than one HA student you will have to select one student at a time to view. As always, please speak to your child about their academic grades and citizenship. *Should you need your Skyward login, please email Mrs. Munerance at munerl@hollyacademy.org*

We applaud our families that are still working as essential workers, you are truly the heroes of this crisis! We also know that it has been difficult to work and also oversee your child’s progress on school work. We are here to help! Please let your child’s teacher or a member of administration know that you need assistance and a staff member will reach out to you and your child to help. The only way we will be successful in this endeavor is if we work together. Never has our phrase, “Power of the Pack” been more appropriate!

The 8th grade Washington D.C. trip is officially cancelled. If you or your child planned to participate in the trip, please be expecting a letter we sent in the U.S. Mail on Thursday of this week that explains your next step for refunds. We will do our very best to provide alternate, yet memorable, activities for our 8th grade students as we end our school year.

The 5th grade Mackinac trip is also officially cancelled. We are working with our vendors and fifth grade team to determine how refunds will be distributed. We will communicate the process to you as soon as possible.

Look for information in the coming weeks on picking up your child’s personal items left in lockers.

Executive Order 2020-35:

https://www.michigan.gov/whitmer/0,9309,7-387-90499_90705-524032--,00.html

All COVID-19 Executive Orders:

https://www.michigan.gov/whitmer/0,9309,7-387-90499_90705---,00.html

Extending health and happiness to you and yours,

Julie, Jen P, Ken, and Jen B