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TO: PENNCREST Families
FROM: Central Office
DATE: April 2, 2020
RE: *Information Release*
Student Meals & Continuity of Education Plan (CEP)

Dear Families:

We are living in an unprecedented time in the modern era. The global COVID-19 pandemic has and will impact us in a way previously thought unfathomable. All of our community members are concerned about education, the economy, employment, food, prescription drugs, and access to healthcare. We understand that COVID-19 is first and foremost a public health dilemma. As a community, overcoming this crisis must be our primary focus; education is secondary. Please continue to practice physical (or social) distancing, follow the Governor's stay at home order, and check in with friends and family regularly.

Thank you for your patience as we transition to online and in-home education. Please understand this is a learning curve for all involved. Teachers and students must be flexible and patient with each other in order to successfully move to this new learning format. We will continue to teach and learn in this manner until the mandated closure is lifted, or until the end of the 2019-2020 school year. We are especially cognizant of our two-hundred nineteen (219) 2020 graduates, and how this shutdown will affect their transition to life beyond high school. Traditional and once in a lifetime events such as Commencement and Prom will be impacted by COVID-19. Our 2020 graduates were born shortly before or after September 11, 2001 and have matured during the difficult 2000s; they are resilient and pragmatic young adults. Our Seniors' futures will not be put on hold, they will successfully transition to the military, college, trade schools and the work force this summer. We are proud of our 2020 graduates and their individual and collective accomplishments.

Student Meals

We recognize there is a community need for student meals and ask families to understand that school meals are heavily regulated by the PA Department of Education and the US Department of Agriculture. We are required to follow strict guidelines with food composition and portion size. Access to specific approved foods are beginning to become limited. We will do our best to provide student meals; however, we anticipate distribution interruption as the school closure extends.

Stay Calm – Stay Home – Stay Safe

Student meal distribution for April:

Time: Beginning at 4:00pm and until meals run out

Locations: Maplewood Elementary School
Cambridge Springs High School

Dates: Monday, April 6 Wednesday, April 8
 Tuesday, April 14 Thursday, April 16
 Monday, April 20 Wednesday, April 22
 Monday, April 27 Wednesday, April 29

Continuity of Education Plan (CEP)

Thank you for your patience during the initial iPad and packet distribution. Monday we were able to distribute over 1200 iPads to our students. Student/parent pick up and drop off of printed materials will occur every Tuesday between 8:30 - 2:30pm in school vestibules. No one is permitted in our schools. Physical interaction with staff will be very limited. Please practice physical distancing when picking up and dropping off school work. Please direct all questions to teachers first and then principals.

Our goal is to graduate students on June 5th and end the school year on June 9th. This is only possible if students continue with the online and in-home learning program with fidelity. We trust our students and teachers will work together to continue teaching and learning with an honest effort to the best of their abilities.