May 6, 2020

Dear Students and Parents,

I hope this finds you to be in good health and spirits. We are in our 8th week of school closure, and I'm sure everyone is ready for the "safer at home" mandates to be lifted.

In this letter, you are receiving a progress report for the past 4 weeks of school via distance learning. We are aware that, under the circumstances, some of our students are adapting well to distance learning and others are not. The midterm progress report is a snapshot of the work your student has done to date this quarter. Please review the alternative grading plan for the 4th quarter below:

Grades 7-8

Our goal is to sustain the learning momentum we have with our students. We recognize that every household is different, every student is different, and we cannot expect every student to adjust to distance learning for a variety of reasons. That is why we have decided to create a grading plan that is based on flexibility and understanding for each individual student.

- Pass/No Pass Grades will be given for fourth quarter and second semester.
- Pass: Student has met or exceeded minimum progress levels for identified learning targets. Grades of A to D- are passing.
- No Pass: Student has not met minimum proficiency levels for identified learning targets. Attempts will be made to contact the student and parents. Feedback will be given to students and parents.
- Assignments and grades will continue to be entered into the Skyward grading system.
- 7th and 8th graders with a No Pass in English or Math must engage in remedial work during the summer or when school starts in the Fall.
- No semester exams will be given
- 4th quarter exploratory classes- Art, Health, Soc & Tech, Tech Ed- have been waived.

Grades 9-12

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- Letter grades will be given for the fourth quarter and second semester.
- Safety nets have been put into place so that a student's GPA cannot go down. Third quarter grades will be used to gauge student progress with the expectation that the fourth quarter grade will be the same or better than the third quarter grade. All students have an opportunity to improve their semester grades.
- Students with an F in the third quarter will have an opportunity to complete more work and improve their semester grade.

- Assignments and grades will continue to be entered into the Skyward grading system.
- WVS classes will be graded per WVS standards.
- Students in the Teacher Assistant (TA) program will receive a Pass based on 3rd quarter work.
- Youth Apprenticeship will be graded per YA standards.
- No semester exams will be given.

Last Day of School- Friday, June 5, 2020 will continue to be the last day of school. However, teachers will end new instruction on Thursday, May 28, 2020. The week of June 1-5 will be used for students to finish up their school work and participate in special projects and activities in their classes. All assignments need to be submitted by June 5, 2020. Teachers will be posting grades on Monday, June 8, 2020.

Chromebooks and Personal Items – Students will be scheduled to return their Chromebook w/ charger and textbooks during the week of June 8-12. They can also retrieve all personal items left in the school at this time.

I realize that this is a lot of information. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at <u>mallen1@glsd.k12.wi.us</u> or at 920-294-6411.

Sincerely,

Mary Allen