# WEEKLY **NEWSLETTER**





We are continuing our remote learning through the end of this school year. We are working very hard to best support our students and their families at home. This includes providing technology and internet access to families who need it. We appreciate your support and cooperation as we navigate this very difficult part. Reach out if you need support. jose martinez4@dpsk12.org

## **REMOTE LEARNING CHECK IN!**

Dear PBA Parents,

I hope you and your family are doing well through this difficult and uncertain time. We want to take a moment to thank you for your patience and continued support through this one week plus of remote learning. We are counting on you to help us ensure that your students are logging into each of their classes every day for lessons. Students should be checking their DPS email accounts for more information. Student emails are their 6-digit lunch number followed by @dpsk12.net. (XXXXXX@dpsk12.net) and their passwords are their 8-digit birthdate.

Please reach out if you need any support.

Thank you,

Mirriah Elliott, Ed.S. Assistant Principal Mirriah\_Elliott@dpsk12.org

# WE ARE HERE TO HELP! COVID-19 PBA FAMILY SUPPORT SURVEY!

Dear Parents,

We hope you are healthy and staying warm this chilly Thursday. Please be aware that we are supporting our students and families who would want to RECEIVE assistance during this difficult time. Please complete this survey if your family would like to receive any kind of support if you have not already done so. Contact Akudo Nwokeukwu @ akudo\_nwokeukwu@dpsk12.org if you have any questions.

Click <u>HERE</u> to start survey or follow the link below.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1DoCXIV2qErx\_WGW6fEIaWbxpbeyayQqm6WOO8CDkFLE/edit

Thank you,

## **DPS FOOD DISTRIBUTION AND MEAL DELIVERY SITES!**

Denver Public Schools is offering free weekday breakfast and lunch to students and families in need at Grab-and-Go sites throughout the city until circumstances change. Vegetarian options are available.

To prioritize social distancing, families are not allowed to eat on site. DPS is not able to provide transportation to the Grab-and-Go sites.

Breakfast and lunch are also available for adults and can be picked up every weekday. In addition, weekend breakfast and lunch are available for families to pick up every Friday. The adult and weekend meals are made possible byfundraising from the DPS Foundation.

Breakfast & Lunch: Grab-and-Go Meal Pickup Monday–Friday 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Click HERE FOR MEAL DELIVERY SITES AND SCHEDULES

# **UPCOMING EVENTS!**

April 20 - 26- National Volunteer Appreciation Week April 22 - Administrative Professionals Appreciation Day - April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 May 25 - Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS May 29 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

# **COUNSELOR'S CORNER!**

#### PLAYING ON THEIR OWN!

No friends or siblings around to play with? No problem! Playing alone teaches your youngster to entertain themselves, solve problems independently, and use their imagination. Consider these tips for helping them make the most of solo play: Have your child put together a basket of toys that they can play with alone. Good options include play dough, building-blocks, jigsaw puzzles, and single-player games like Simon or Rush Hour. Share solo activities you enjoyed at their age.You might teach your youngster to play Soli-taire, do yo-yo tricks.

Provide props for imaginary play, such as old clothes and accessories for dressing up, or take-out menus and catalogs for playing restaurant or store. Your child will have to be creative to play multiple roles— maybe they will use two different hats and pretend he's two construction workers deciding how to dig a tunnel.

Tami Koenig MA, School Counselor: Phone: 720-424-0973 Email: tami\_koenig@dpsk12.org

## **RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES!**

#### HOW TO LOGIN TO CHROMEBOOKS AND GOOGLE EMAILS AND APPS:

Our Technology Teacher, Mr. Jame Wilkerson has created a video explaining the steps for students and parents on how to login to Chromebooks and Google Emails and Apps. Click <u>HERE</u> to watch the video. Should you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to Mr. Wilkerson

at james\_wilkerson@dpsk12.org.

#### **REMOTE LEARNING RESOURCES:**

DPS has created a guide to some strategies you can use to support your student's remote learning. Click **HERE** to access the tips and guidance.

#### **RESOURCES TO USE WITH/FOR STUDENTS:**

Google Meet Expectations

Google Meet Student Expectations

<u>Read/Write</u> supports reading text out loud, understanding unfamiliar words, researching assignments and proofing written work

Equatio dictates equations and formulas aloud

WriQ writing achievement tool -assess and motivate student writing while providing automated meaningful feedback and delivering a standardized benchmark for grading.

#### HEALTH QUESTIONS AND DENVER HEALTH'S SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS:

For health and wellness questions and concerns, contact our School Nurse, Ms. Terez Woodward. Her google voice number is - 719-749-1622, and her current office hours are 8-10 am Mon-Friday.

Also, there will be no face-to-face visits on-site at our Denver Health's School Based Health Center, but phone visits are available to assist with non-urgent medical questions, medication refills, and to help connect you to other Denver Health resources. Call the following numbers for assistance:

- Place Bridge Campus SBHC: 720-424-2050
- Lincoln Campus SBHC: 720-423-5020
- North Campus SBHC: 720-423-2718
- Evie Dennis Campus SBHC: 720-423-7610

#### **MENTAL HEALTH INFORMATION:**

Click <u>HERE</u> for additional resources.

#### **HOME INTERNET NEEDS:**

Click <u>HERE</u> to apply! You may contact: Mary Spillane @ Comcast. Her cell phone number is 720.641.2264!

Additional information about Internet Options from DOTS (in Many Languages) clickHERE

#### PLACE BRIDGE ACADEMY/DENVER HUMAN SERVICES PARTNERSHIP -HELP WITH APPLYING FOR BENEFITS:

Our Partnership with Denver Human Services is ongoing! Please reach out to Juanita Chavez @ 720-483-6606 if you need assistance with any of the following:

- Rental Assist
- Motel Vouchers
- Family Reunification
- State ID/Birth Certificate Waivers
- MEDICAID, SNAP, TANF ASSISTANCE

#### Click <u>HERE</u> to see Resident Resources

Go HERE - Rent and Utility Help

#### **DENVER METRO EMERGENCY FOOD NETWORK:**

The Denver Emergency Food Network delivers free, prepared meals to homebound families and elderly individuals in need during the COVID-19 crisis. Sign up for meals on the waitlist below. We are usually able to deliver meals 2-3 days after you request them and will text/email when they are delivering. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information.

#### TAX PREP OPTIONS:

- (in the midst of COVID-19 Closures)<u>Remote Drop Off</u> A new program by Code for America in partnership with VITA sites is available to households making \$60,000 or less. More info <u>HERE.</u>
- <u>IRS Free File</u> Includes a number of free online filing options for both federal and state returns available for households making \$69,000 or less. More Info <u>HERE</u>.
- <u>MyFreeTaxes.com</u> Through United Way's partnership with H&R Block, every household with<u>a</u> <u>simple return</u> can file their federal and state taxes for free (this option does not include filers who are contract workers, i.e. Uber or Lyft drivers). More Info <u>HERE.</u>

#### FINANCIAL RESOURCES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES:

Coronavirus Emergency Loans: English Flier, Spanish Flier

#### FINANCIAL HELP FOR FAMILIES SICK WITH COVID-19:

See information HERE.

#### DEALING WITH COVID-19 QUESTIONS FROM YOUR CHILDREN:

"Something Strange Happened in My CIty: A COVID-19 Social Story for Young Children" This is free, online resource and translated in MANY languages. Find the book <u>HERE</u>

#### **DPS FAQ ON COVID-19 RESPONSE:**

Click <u>HERE</u>. DPS will continue to update this page as information is available.

# 2019/2020 PBA SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR FOUND <u>HERE</u>



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