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11/6/2020

Dear Hatfield Families,

The early dismissal schedule for Fridays begins today, with departure set for 1:35 p.m. Specials and other instructional intervals have been consolidated to continue to ensure support across multiple grade levels and content areas.

Our school community will welcome back our hybrid students in grades 3-6 on Monday, Nov. 9. As per the district's outreach on Oct. 7, "We have received some questions regarding the fluidity of our plan, meaning whether or how easily students can switch back and forth between hybrid and virtual. Students who select hybrid may remain home and learn virtually at any time if they are not feeling well, may be apprehensive about attending in person for any reason, etc. Students who select virtual instruction will be able to switch to hybrid only if and when we determine there is physical capacity within a classroom to add students and maintain proper social distancing."

For those interested, updated district publications are available here: [Elementary School Handbook](#), [Fall Return to Learn Newsletter](#), and [Return to School Booklet](#).

For K-2 children, during afternoon pick-up, be sure to bring the numbered car hang tag and or/ laminated placard with you. They will be provided to our grades 3-6 students next week. More durable car hang tags will also be provided to all families schoolwide.

For those using bus transportation, be sure to utilize students' H1/H2/5D, color-coded backpack tags. These help our drivers organize student days and allow more time to support with assigned seating.

Know that we will conduct a fire drill during the month of November. We will teach students about the importance of knowing, and following, protocols. For practice purposes, we will not focus on exit speed and socially-distance. The goal is the systematic removal of occupants from the building and accurate accounting for them outside.

Please consider participating in [Hatfield's Online Book Fair](#) from Monday, Nov. 9 through Sunday, Nov. 22.

The second Home & School (H&S) meeting of the school year is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 17. If you would like to attend, please e-mail [president.hhsa@gmail.com](mailto:president.hhsa@gmail.com), and the meeting's virtual link will be sent to you.

H&S is also sponsoring a [Charleston Wrap Fund-raiser](#) between Monday, Nov. 2 and Tuesday, Nov. 20. Those who are able are encouraged to show their support. Another option is to dine at Margaritas on Sumneytown Pike in Lansdale on Sunday, Nov. 15.

Keep soaring above and beyond,

Mr. Wes Heinel  
Principal