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LPS Families,

Since making the announcement of our school closure through the remainder of the school year late last week, we have received many questions from families.

Please know that many of the questions you have may not yet have answers. Our entire LPS team will be working diligently in the coming days and weeks to develop the most effective plans, in an effort to best serve our students, families, and community. We will also be committed to providing you with regular updates addressing the numerous challenges this extended closure has caused.

In the meantime, we will be regularly posting a series of LPS Mailbag posts on our <u>Facebook</u> <u>page</u> that address many of the common questions we receive from families.

Many of the *Frequently Asked Questions* are also provided below. These questions were identified as common questions asked either in our recent survey or our *Let's Talk* community engagement portal. Please know that we understand that these questions don't address all of the questions you may have. We will be updating this list in the coming weeks as we move along. In addition, the Let's Talk portal is available on our district website, and can be accessed by <u>clicking here</u>. This provides an opportunity for you to ask any individual questions you may have.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How does LPS plan to handle grades and extended learning from home the remainder of the school year?

A: Our Department of Academic Services has developed a detailed plan moving forward that was shared on Monday, April 13. To access this plan, <u>click here</u>.

Q: Will students have the opportunity to retrieve their belongings that are still at school?

A: We hope to be able to identify some dates/times for families to be able to retrieve their child's belongings in the near future. We will only do so, however, when our local health officials deem it appropriate to proceed with this process. Our district security team has also been working with families to retrieve essential items from their child's school (medicines, band instruments, etc.).

Q: Will students need to turn in their district-issued electronic devices?

A: We hope to have dates/times selected for students to turn in devices this summer in the coming weeks. As stated above, this will only take place when we are given the green light to proceed from local health officials.

Q: Have any decisions been made about summer school?

A: No decisions have been made regarding summer school for LPS. We are currently evaluating all options at this time and will make the decision based on the direction we receive from local health officials. The final decision will be made with the safety and health of our students and staff as the top priority.

Q: Will LPS Commencement ceremonies take place?

A: Dr. Tucker recently delivered a message to Class of 2020 families that stated LPS is working to identify potential dates for later this summer. It is a commitment of the district to provide an opportunity to celebrate the success of our Class of 2020. Families will be provided updates from the respective high schools when decisions are made.

Thank you for your support and flexibility as we work through this unprecedented time. We will continue to provide you with updates, as necessary, in the coming days and weeks.

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