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LPS Families,

As the 2019-2020 school year draws to an official close tomorrow, we wanted to take a moment to not only thank our entire school community, but also provide a few updates as we will quickly transition to the summer months.

Dr. Tucker recorded an end-of-year video update earlier this week, which can be accessed by [clicking here](#). Also, included below are several pieces of information that we wanted to share with you as we close out this current school year, and preparations quickly shift toward looking ahead to the 2020-2021 school year.

- We would like to assure all of our families that work is now well underway in preparations for re-entry into our facilities in a safe and healthy manner in the weeks and months to come. A *Re-Entry Task Force* that includes members of our district leadership team has been formed and meeting regularly for the past several weeks. This work will include plans for re-entry for district summer activities, including summer camps, Kid's Zone, and facility usage. These decisions will be communicated to families in the coming weeks.
We also understand that community input and engagement will be vital throughout this process. Having said this, a family survey has been created and can be accessed by [clicking here](#). Be looking for additional engagement opportunities over the course of the summer. We also must continue to emphasize that this is an extremely fluid situation, and that all decisions made will be following regular consultation with local, state, and national health officials. We are committed to providing our students and staff with a healthy learning environment that they are comfortable in.
- Summer school enrollment continues, with virtual learning opportunities for students beginning June 1, 2020. LPS will remain in touch with local, state, and federal health officials in determining if summer school face-to-face opportunities will be able to take place in July. Be looking for updates in the coming weeks. For more information on our summer school program, [click here](#).
- Our nutrition services team will be continuing to provide free meals to students on weekdays beginning Tuesday, May 26, 2020, and through the month of June. Additional details regarding this service can be accessed by [clicking here](#). Also, important information for those that may qualify for a one-time Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer (P-EBT) can [click here](#) for additional information.
- We are excited to announce that our bus fleet will be **driving** throughout the district Friday afternoon, May 22, driving normal afternoon drop-off bus routes to officially close out the 2019-2020 school year. This will provide an opportunity for our students

and families to wave to our buses and favorite bus drivers that safely transport them to and from school each year. ***Again, as a reminder, buses will be running on our normal drop-off schedule.*** Families are also encouraged to take a photo or video and share it on any of our social media platforms, or can share them in an email with us (lpscommunications@lps53.org).

As we officially close out this unprecedented 2019-2020 school year, we simply cannot thank our students, staff, families, and community enough for your patience, flexibility, and unwavering support for our school district. We also understand that this upcoming summer break will be far from normal, as we work through making decisions in the best interest for our students and staff in a safe and comfortable environment. We would encourage you to remain engaged with us, as occasional updates will be provided to families in the coming weeks leading up to the start of the new school year that is slated for Tuesday, August 25, 2020. Over two months ago we introduced a new hashtag to our social media platforms that simply states **#InThisTogetherLPS**. We remain committed to this hashtag, and are confident we will show the resolve and determination that we have like never before.

Have a nice upcoming holiday weekend, be safe and healthy, and we look forward to connecting with you soon!

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