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Dear Parents and Students:

Tomorrow will be students' last day of school for 2019-2020. For all we have endured together, we are unlikely to forget this year.

Before our schools closed in mid-March, our students enjoyed the full array of classes, activities, athletics and performances that characterize the District 211 experience. While the last two months and our upcoming summer will be part of our indelible, shared reality of closure and separation, we all have the same hope that our students and teachers will reunite – in person – for the start of the 2020-2021 school year.

As I depart upon our students' last day of school, the District is most fortunate to have the leadership of Dr. Lisa Small as the next superintendent. Dr. Small and superintendents throughout the region and the state continue working together with the Illinois State Board of Education and public health officials to develop a number of different plans in preparation for the start of the upcoming school year. You will receive important information about our school operations for the next school year as we receive additional guidance from the Illinois State Board of Education and governmental leaders.

For this week, we are focused on helping students end the school year in the strongest way possible within our current circumstances. If you have any questions about the end of the semester, please contact your school counselor so that we can assist.

Locker Contents and Personal Possessions

Each school's principal has communicated details describing how students can retrieve any personal possessions and locker contents that may remain in our schools. Please contact your school's nurse if a need to pick up medication remains.

Summer School 2020

Parents can use the [Infinite Campus Parent Portal](#) to register your son or daughter for a previously requested summer school course. Due to public health restrictions, we are unable to provide our popular summer athletic and activity camps this summer.

We will conduct all 2020 summer school academic courses via remote learning. All schools will follow the same daily schedule with classes starting at 8:00 a.m. and ending at 11:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday each week. Semester one will be held from June 2 through June 23 and semester two will take place from June 24 through July 15.

Your school's student services department will assist you with any questions about summer school.

Registration for the 2020-2021 School Year

The first day of classes for the 2020-2021 school year will be Thursday, August 13. All students must register for the upcoming school year before they can attend classes in the fall. In June, you will receive detailed information about how to register and how to use the *MySchoolBucks* app.

D211 Meal Bags

We received great news that our Food and Nutrition Services Department will be able to continue our standing operation of distributing meal bags each Thursday through the end of summer school.

The next date that meal bags will be available is Thursday, May 21. Drive-thru, no-contact pick-up is available for families at Palatine High School (1111 N. Rohlwing Road in Palatine) and the G.A. McElroy Administration Center (1750 S. Roselle Road in Palatine) from 9:00-11:00 a.m., and at Hoffman Estates High School (1100 W. Higgins Road in Hoffman Estates) from 9:00 a.m. - noon. Information about this service is available on the [District 211 website](#).

D211 Families in Need Fund

Many families in our schools face significant economic challenges because of the public health crisis. We are pleased that families often contact our student services staff members as the first source of support in moments of particular hardship.

If you would like to be a part of brightening a family's day, you can make a secure, tax-deductible, online donation to the District 211 Foundation's ***Families in Need Fund*** with this link to the [Foundation website](#).

In Gratitude

Serving the students, families, staff members and larger communities of District 211 has been my life's honor, and I am grateful beyond description for these opportunities to work on your behalf.

Sincerely,

Daniel E. Cates
Superintendent

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