

APRIL 2021 NEWSLETTER

April 1st, 2021 all schools will close ½ hour early as we begin our Spring Break from April 2nd – April 9th, 2021—schools will be closed for staff and students. It is extremely important that your child return to school on his/her scheduled cohort days as we will be in the process of Spring OST Testing for students in grades 3-5.

School resumes Monday April 12, 2021.

ATTENDANCE—EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

I want to remind you that on remote learning days (**the days your child is at home**) it is a parental responsibility to make certain that he/she is logged on for attendance as well as completing asynchronous assignments. Assignments can be found in the Google Class Stream. Please check the class stream as often as you check social media sites, to be sure your child is keeping up with assigned work. Ensuring that your child is signed in for attendance will help to avoid a H.B. 410 attendance meeting where your child will be put on an attendance intervention plan.

REPORT CARDS

Report cards will be available via the Parent Portal on April 1st, 2021. Schools no longer provide paper copies of report cards. If you need assistance with the Parent Portal, please call the district's fact line at 614-221-3228.

STUDENT DISMISSAL

All changes to your child's dismissal routine must be called in to the school office by 3:00 each day.

This will ensure that the office staff has time to notify your child and the teacher. Failure to do so will result in your child being sent home as he/she normally would be. We will not pull students off of loaded buses, you will have to meet your child at his/her stop. Changes to dismissal cause confusion for your child—they should be used sparingly for emergency situations. All students must be picked up prior to 3:45 p.m.

As parents, you must have a back-up plan in case of emergencies—the school is not the back-up plan.

We do not have staff on duty after 3:45 to supervise children.

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TECHNOLOGY FINES

Fees assigned to students for damages to district issued technology devices (including hot spots) must be paid using the parent portal. Schools no longer accept cash for any reason.

BLENDED LEARNING MEAL DISTRIBUTION PLAN

As students transition to a Blended Learning model, there has been a change in the meal distribution process at the District's Fuel Up meal sites. During the two days that students are in the classroom, they will be served breakfast and lunch.

Families are still encouraged to pick up a five-day-meal pack each Wednesday at one of the 19 CCS Fuel Up locations. Pick up times are 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. The sites in our region are: **(see district website for additional meal sites)**

Independence High School
5175 E. Refugee Road 43232

Walnut Ridge High School
4841 E. Livingston Avenue 43227



STUDENT ARRIVAL

Students should never be dropped off to school prior to 8:30 a.m.

Staff are not on duty to supervise prior to the 8:30 time.

At 8:30, the doors will open for breakfast and students will be allowed into the building.

Inclement weather or having to work are not an excuses for you to drop your child off early. Please have a plan to assist you with getting your child to school at regularly scheduled times.

PACKED LUNCHES

CCS Food Service guidelines prohibit students from having canned soda as a drink of choice with packed lunches. Please refrain from sending soda with your child's lunch. Additionally, no extra food can be brought in unless it is part of a student's packed lunch. Please refrain from sending snack items for your child to eat during lunch.

IMPORTANT DATES:

April 1 Asynchronous Day (online Learning) for all students, Building Closed
30 Minute Early Release

April 2- April 9 Spring Break, No School for Students, Building Closed

April 12 Cohort A Students return to the building

April 15 Cohort B Students return to the building

Please contact your child's teacher for questions about assignments.