# Update From Your Superintendent September 9, 2020

# FEEDING ALL STUDENTS 0-18

The state has extended the summer feeding program that allows us to provide meals for all children ages 0-18 seven days a week. If your child is attending face to face an additional two days of meals (breakfast and lunch) will be available for pick-up. If your student is virtual student, seven days of meals will be available. How this will work – each Monday from 3:30-5:30 you may pick up the meals at the cafeteria door of the middle school located at the south end of the building. We are asking that you call Angie Cushman, Food Service Director, at 231-388-1054 to let her know that you would like to participate and how many children you will be picking up meals for. It is important to know how many are for 7 days and how many would be for 2 days.

#### EARLY RELEASE FRIDAYS

Students will be released early on Fridays during September. These dates are September 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. Teachers are continually learning and adjusting to teaching face to face while at the same time providing content for those receiving their instruction virtually. Everyone is working very hard to make sure all students are getting the quality education that they deserve. We will continue to assess and adjust what we are doing to ensure that we are doing everything we can to enable all of our students to have a great year. We are very appreciative of the support, understanding and patience that you have given us as we continue to work through all the changes and challenges that are a result of COVID-19.

## **EPS VIRTUAL LEARNING**

The guidelines for selecting virtual learning have been updated. Families will have through Friday, September 11th to select virtual learning as the method of choice for their student(s). After this date, only those students who may need to quarantine or those with other medical conditions will be able to transition from face to face to virtual learning. Those virtual students who would like to return face to face to may continue to do so by calling the principal of the building(s) your student(s) attend. Students may return one week after contacting the building.

### **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

We know that children do get ill in a normal year. However with the fear of COVID-19, it will be extremely important this year that if your child is not feeling well that he/she does not come to school. If your child has any of the symptoms listed below, sending him/her to school could put other students at risk. Symptoms include: Temperature of 100.4 or higher, sore throat, new uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing, diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal pain, and onset of severe headache. Your cooperation is sincerely appreciated.

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