

March 26, 2020

Dear Mayfield Parents/Guardians and Staff,

From the entire Mayfield Family, we hope you and your family and friends are doing well and remain healthy. We stand strong together during this unprecedented time in our lives.

As we all know, the coronavirus is a quickly evolving pandemic that changes daily. The Mayfield City Schools, continues to emphasize the instructional plan and communications we have developed over the last few weeks.

SCHEDULE

There is much speculation about extending the closure of Ohio schools through the spring or possibly the end of the school year. Ohio Governor DeWine on March 12th issued a directive to close all Ohio schools March 16th with the anticipated return to classrooms on April 6th. At this time, that timeline remains our course of action, until we hear otherwise from the state.

ONLINE LEARNING

Mayfield teachers and students are well prepared to continue instruction remotely and online, beginning in earnest on Monday, March 30.

Teachers, information technology specialists, principals, and administrators continue to work to provide the best possible remote instruction for our students. We are keeping learning for all of our students in place. It is imperative that we continue to educate our students not only for their growth, but also to give them a sense of stability.

I am incredibly impressed with the online learning activities already underway. Our teachers are using a variety of tools to communicate with their students.

Our technology staff has been working tirelessly day and night to ensure our infrastructure needs are in place. We appreciate your patience as remote learning on this scale is new to us as well.

HOW TO REACH US

As you know, all Mayfield schools and the Board of Education office are closed until further notice. We do not have personnel to answer phones. If you have a critical question for me, our assistant superintendent or any of our principals please, email them directly. We will direct your emails to the appropriate person.

If you have questions regarding your student(s) school work please contact your teachers via email or Schoology. In most cases, your students will know how to connect with their teachers.

SPRING PLANNING

We continue to prepare and evaluate for a multitude of circumstances. We remain in contact with health and education leaders from the state, region and local departments.

There are many questions and issues to be resolved related to future scheduled events.

We continuously review and assess school trips, programs and events. We are making decisions based on a number of variables, including health and safety, facility closure mandates, student and staff preparedness, availability of internal and external resources, technological abilities, traditions and time. Because circumstances change so quickly, my approach is to assess our schedule hour by hour, day by day, and week to week.

SENIOR CLASS

We want our senior class to experience as many of the end-of-senior-year traditions as possible, given the circumstances. We are working on: **Back up** dates for Commencement, PROM, Senior Banquet and brainstorming creative ways to hold the Honors Scholarship Program and the Excellence Reception, **if need be.**

RESOURCES

Please continue to adhere to the repeated health and safety recommendations – Stay home, wash your hands and practice social distancing, stay home. If you are ill or are experiencing possible symptoms, contact your health provider or call the Ohio Department of Health COVID-19 Hotline 1-800-4-ASKODH (1-800-427-5634).

There are many resources available online for your health, safety and mental wellness. Mayfield Schools has a hub of resources related to the coronavirus pandemic and information to assist families. These resources can be found on our website [Mayfield City Schools Coronavirus Information and Resources](#).

THANK YOU

I want to extend our thanks to our staff and crew of essential workers who have stepped up to keep our facilities clean and cared for, so upon our return we are ready to continue to move Mayfield forward.

Our food service personnel is to be commended for their work to provide grab-and-go meals to our students who need assistance.

A special note of thanks, as well to the MAC Foundation whose leaders have already stepped up to assist Mayfield families who have come upon hard times as a result of these unforeseen events.

And to all of you, our Mayfield parents, teachers, staff and community, we are in this together. There will be hurdles going forward, but we should take notice of what we have achieved together already. We are united. Be well.

Sincerely,
Keith Kelly, Superintendent
Mayfield City Schools