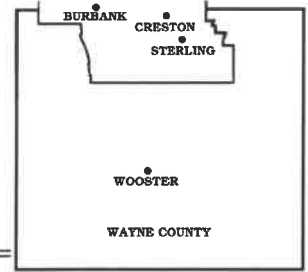


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April 27, 2020

Dear Norwayne Local Schools Families:

I hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy. At this point, I'm sure that everyone is aware of Governor DeWine's closure of schools for the remainder of the school year. We will continue with the online classes for our students until the end of this fourth nine weeks.

Our breakfast/lunch food service delivery will continue for the remainder of the school year. In the past, we did not qualify for the summer food service program because our percentage of qualifying free and reduced lunches did not meet the restrictions. At this point, we do not know if that will change because of the coronavirus circumstances. We will keep you posted if there are any changes to that. But at this point, those breakfast/lunch deliveries will stop at the end of the current school year.

On a bright note and to look forward to an opportunity to change up your food choices, the district is allowing Kurt Otterbacher and his family to park their food trailer in the high school parking lot. The Otterbacher family is donating a portion of their profits to the 2020 Norwayne Seniors. The food trailer will be available from 2-8 pm on Thursday-Sunday, April 30 – May 2. Available food selections and guidelines for safety precautions when visiting the food trailer are posted on the school website. Thanks to the Otterbacher family for thinking of our 2020 Seniors.

Also to honor our 2020 Seniors, yard signs have been ordered to recognize each senior and will be placed in their yards as soon as they become available.

There have been many questions regarding our 2020 graduation ceremony. We are not cancelling a graduation recognition for our 2020 Seniors, but at this time we just don't know what it will look like. A lot depends on how things go with the reopening of businesses and continued social distancing guidelines. At the present time, the governor and the Ohio Department of Education are recommending graduation services be virtual and that no face to face ceremonies take place. If it looks like we could push our graduation into June or July and have a traditional ceremony, we would love to do that but that cannot be determined right now. Please know that we are working on many alternatives to recognize our seniors and as soon as a plan has been finalized we will let you know.

## High School

Mr. Zimmerly would like to remind everyone to continue to complete your homework and assignments and that your teachers are available to help you with questions and concerns about your school work. He encourages you to reach out to them if you are having a

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difficult time understanding the material. The custodial staff has bagged the contents of your lockers and labeled the bags with your name and locker number. They are available for pick-up by the high school entrance at the large middle school gym doors today, April 27 and Wednesday, April 29 from 8 am – 4 pm on both of these days. Only the student or their parent/guardian may pick up their own belongings.

#### Middle School

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade Washington DC trip has been cancelled for this year. Any money deposited by the students will be refunded. This refund will take place sometime in May at the earliest. Discussion is ongoing as to whether this trip can be rescheduled for the current 8<sup>th</sup> graders. There would be many logistics to be worked out and we can't make a decision for some time since we are so unsure about everything with the pandemic.

#### Elementary

Mr. Dreher and Mr. Sette have sent a letter to the elementary students' families to update them. They wish everyone continued good health and hope to see everyone soon. Mr. Dreher and Mr. Sette invite you to join their daily "PrinciPAW" presentations. The link can be found on the elementary school website.

Thank you for all you are continuing to do to support the education of our Norwayne students. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at [nrcn\\_ohare@tccsa.net](mailto:nrcn_ohare@tccsa.net).

Sincerely,



Karen O'Hare, Superintendent  
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