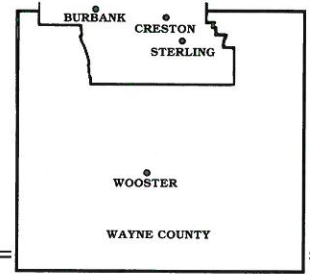


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May 26, 2020

Dear Norwayne Local School District Families:

Graduation activities were held this past weekend with each graduate receiving his/her diploma on stage at designated time slots. The class valedictorians presented their speeches on Sunday. All of this was videotaped and that will be edited and the updated video put out on our website as soon as possible. I would like to thank the following people for their help with these graduation activities over the weekend – Doug Zimmerly, Amy Frary, Dave Dreher, Kevin Leatherman, Vince Sette, Brian West, Ryan Wile, Matt Smith, Cindy Slater, Kim Hostetler, Carol Miller, Bill Vance, Tim Heckler, Roberta Heckler, School Resource Office Earl Fockler, Creston Police Chief Bryon Meshew and other members of the Creston Police Department. Their help at this year's graduation helped things run smoothly. Their time and efforts are very much appreciated.

This Thursday, May 28 is the official ending to the 2019-2020 school year. The transportation office is planning to run their afternoon routes to deliver any items that your child may have left at school. The drivers are also planning a treat for the students on their bus routes. We ask that you please be at your original bus stop at your normal afternoon drop off time. Every precaution for the safety of your child, the drivers and volunteers will be used. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the transportation office at 330-435-1141.

Also, please be reminded that you will need to return any school computers, school books, library books and any other school owned materials to your child's school the week of June 1-5. Office hours at each of the school buildings is 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Norwayne Elementary Staff will be holding a Welcome to Summer Drive Thru (Parade) on Wednesday, May 27 from 5:00 to 6:30 pm located at the Elementary School. The parade drive thru will be along the back of the school where teachers will be socially distanced as well as following proper health protocols to wave and say goodbye to the students. Parents are to enter in the parent loop parking lot and follow the road behind the school that will take them to the high school where they will exit and return home. All parents and students are asked to remain in their vehicles at all times. If students would like to make signs to display from the vehicles that is perfectly fine. We hope to see everyone as we welcome in Summer on Wednesday evening.

Norwayne outdoor facilities are now open for use, however the weight room and training facility will be limited to our school athletes and must be supervised at all times. Coaches will arrange for the use of these facilities for athletes and occupancy will be limited and sanitation/disinfecting procedures will be in place along with social distancing guidelines. The

track is open to the public for walking but social distancing guidelines must be followed. Restroom facilities will NOT be available.

A survey was emailed to the parent's e-mail addresses that we had in our school files. If you did not receive that survey and would like to participate, please call your child's school office and leave your e-mail address. We are seeking input on your internet accessibility and computer availability along with your input for the start of next school year. Like everyone else in the State of Ohio we are anxiously waiting to hear the guidelines for the start of next school year. Our administrative team is working together to plan for all possible scenarios along with preparing our school and classrooms for the safety of our students' return. As soon as we know that plan of action for school resuming we will get the word out to you by placing the information on our website.

We are also planning for some training opportunities for parents in accessing teaching materials through Google Classroom, Zoom and other models that teachers may be using for online instruction. Any information that we may have for schools reopening will be shared at these meetings. But please know that is dependent on when we may receive the guidelines for schools reopening. The training meetings are scheduled for June 15 and June 23 at 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, and 7:00 pm in each of the elementary, middle school and high school buildings. We will be limiting the number of attendees to adhere to social distancing guidelines at each of these sessions. If you would like to schedule a time slot, please call your child's school office to request a training time.

I hope each and every one of you has an enjoyable and relaxing summer break. You have earned it and deserve it! As always, please do not hesitate to contact me at nrcn_ohare@tccsa.net with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Karen O'Hare, Superintendent
Norwayne Local Schools