



MOSHANNON VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dr. John W. Zesiger, Superintendent

April 23, 2020

Moshannon Valley Students, Staff, and Families,

My continued thanks to all students, staff, and families, for your cooperation and support as we work together through the mandated school closure. There are some important updates and date changes in this letter. As I have stated before, I am sure that more questions will arise, and we will work to address questions and provide additional information in the days to come.

2019-2020 End-of-School Schedule

- At the April 20, 2020, School Board Meeting, the official year-end calendar was approved, there are some changes from previous emails and communications that have been sent, so please pay attention to all dates. Times for events will be added in the coming days.

Graduation

- **May 30, 2020:** Saturday Mid-Day Graduation Ceremony
 - Outdoor Ceremony limit 2 guests per student, which may change if the state adjusts group gathering. More details will be provided to senior families via **Google Meet on Tuesday, April 28 at 5:00 pm.**

Remaining Calendar Items

- **May 21, 2020:** High School Cyber Presentation of Scholarships and Grade-Level Top Ten Students beginning at 5:30 pm;
- **May 22, 2020:** 12th Grade Locker Cleanout, Item & Chromebook Return – schedule will be sent separately to all students and families from building principals;
- **May 26-29, 2020:** K-11th Grade Locker/Desk Cleanout and Item & Chromebook Return – schedule will be sent separately to all students and families from building principals;
- **May 28, 2020:** CCCTC Graduation – TBD; and
- **May 29, 2020:** Last Student Day.

Sports Uniform Collection & Cap and Gown

- **April 27, 2020: Seniors Only** – Spring Sport Uniform Collection, Graduation Cap and Gown Distribution will take place during food service from 11:00 am – 12:15 pm.
- **May 11, 2020: Grades 7-11** Spring Sport Uniform Collection will take place during food service from 11:00 am – 12:15 pm.

Yearbook

- The main part of the yearbook has been finished and will be shipped to the high school. Arrangements will be made to issue these as the delivery schedule becomes clearer.
- **Yearbook Supplement** [delivered later in the summer]

Working Together to Ensure Every Student Succeeds

- **Senior Tributes:** Encouraging families to send in the previously emailed Senior Tribute Form, Picture(s) and Check [MVHS] to the High School office (ATTN: Yearbook), they ask that this content be submitted NO Later than Monday, April 27, 2020.
 - **School Closure:** They plan to include a two-page spread on each grade showing what students and their families did while they were home during the COVID 19 absence. Please email pictures to either kowalcyk@movalley.org or 20holenchika@movalley.org. We are also asking that you tell us what you were doing or words expressing how you felt. We encourage you to submit these items NO Later than April 30, 2020. We will include other school activities as they occur. Please feel free to email Mr. Kowalcyk with any ideas you may have for the yearbook.
- **Elementary Yearbooks** will have fall sale.

Google Meet Calendar

- We had several families request that we send the overall Google Meet calendars for both the Elementary School and High School. To address that request, we have added a link to our website <https://www.movalley.org/aa> that shows all the Google Meet times for classes. We appreciate families reaching out and letting us know what would assist them during this challenging time.

Waiver of Graduation Requirements for the Class of 2020

- The School Board has waived the local graduation requirements for students in the Class of 2020 to include [1] passing the Keystone Exam or project based assessment class, [2] District Career Portfolio Components, including community service hours, job shadowing, and senior interview. Seniors do not have to worry about any of those requirements.

Spring Music Concerts

- Unfortunately, both the elementary and high school Spring Music Concerts have officially been cancelled. I know our students and staff worked hard throughout the semester to prepare; but with school now closed through the end of our regular school calendar, it will not be able to be completed.

Continuity of Education Grant

- Moshannon Valley applied for, and received, a small state grant to purchase Verizon Hot Spot Cellular Internet devices to provide internet service to some of our more remote areas. We also received funding for additional Chromebooks for our elementary students, who were in need. We are in the process of connecting with Township Buildings, Post Office Buildings, perhaps churches, and other public locations, who will have our devices, and families would have internet access from those facilities parking lots. More information will be coming, but know that we are continuing to look at ways to provide technology to our families.

Clearfield Progress Senior Salute

- The Progress has asked us to share that they are running a special senior salute edition. They are selling advertisements for a congratulatory ad.
 - Package #1: Includes one 5" wide x 10.5" high black and white print ad in our Senior Salute section: \$99. Add full color for an additional \$75.*
 - Package #2: Includes one 5" wide x 5" high black and white print ad in our Senior Salute section: \$59. Add full color for an additional \$60.*
 - Package #3: Includes one 5" wide x 2.5" high black and white print ad in our Senior Salute section: \$39. Add full color for an additional \$50.*

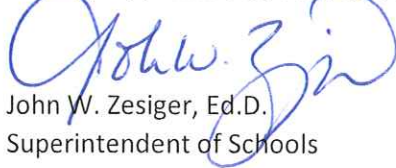
*There is a limited amount of color space available.

- Photos and all needed information for the print ad can be emailed directly to:
movalley2020@theprogressnews.com

Class of 2020-2021 Senior Class Trip

- **Postponed until spring 2021**– With only 20 Responses stating they would participate, no opportunity to hold fundraisers prior to the trip, and uncertainty with when locations would even be open, the plan now is to hold the Senior Trip in the spring of 2021. This is similar to what happened to the Class of 2016, when international events surrounding terror moved our trip to the spring as well.

Thank you, please stay safe, and stay positive.



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