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March 26 - April 1, 2020

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATION:

COVID-19 UPDATES: Please **Click [Here](#)** for updates on our community's response to the COVID-19 spread.

DIGITAL LEARNING DAYS: Here is a condensed version of resources and troubleshooting during the Digital Learning Days. [LINK](#)

LOW COST/NO COST INTERNET: Effective Monday, March 16, 2020, we are putting in place NEW substantial program enhancements to help these families deal with this crisis. Click the link for all details. [LINK](#)

MEALS DURING CLOSURE: For some students, school is the only place where they receive a regular breakfast and lunch during the school week. With schools being closed due to COVID-19 (coronavirus), it is possible that many of these students may go hungry.

Realizing this, the Fayette County Public School System took measures to ensure that no child age 18 and under (and students with disabilities age 21 and under) goes hungry during the closure. Any family in the county with children who meet the age requirement can come to the following locations from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday-Friday to receive a bagged breakfast and lunch:

Spring Hill Elementary – 100 Bradford Square, Fayetteville, GA 30215

North Fayette Elementary – 609 Kenwood Road, Fayetteville, GA 30214

Fayette County High – 1 Tiger Trail, Fayetteville, GA 30214

Marnell – 1512 GA 54 W, Fayetteville, GA 30214

Four Seasons – 100 Apollo Drive, Fayetteville, GA 30214

Kenwood Landing – 225 Club Drive, Fayetteville, GA 30214

Peachtree City First Baptist Church – 208 Willowbend Road, Peachtree City, GA 30269

CHROMEBOOK REPAIRS: In order to provide our students and staff with the tools they need to access their learning resources, the Technology Services Department will provide a Chromebook drop off and spare replacement program during our school closures.

Parents can drop off student Chromebooks at the Technology Services (VoTech) building parking lot from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Monday through Friday. The drop off will be available until March 31st. This may change as we learn more about closure timelines. If a chromebook is found to need repair, a replacement Chromebook will be issued at the drop-off area.

[March Device Repair Plan](#)

Thank you for your flexibility as we navigate through these uncharted times.

FROM THE COUNSELING OFFICE:

COUNSELING UPDATES: Please use this [LINK](#) for information from our Counseling Department.

CLAYTON STATE DUAL ENROLLMENT TESTING: In efforts to respond to our current pandemic and ensure students continue to have access to dual enrollment opportunities, the Dual Enrollment testing department at Clayton State University is planning to partner with a third party testing program. The Accuplacer will be given remotely. The student will need a laptop or desktop computer equipped with a webcam. There will be a fee to test through this third party. We will inform you in early April when our testing website has uploaded the directions to register for the remote testing. While we wait for this to be finalized in April, do the following:

- Complete your Clayton State Dual Enrollment Application
- Send your high school transcript

UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA DUAL ENROLLMENT TESTING: While there is no charge for the exam itself, Examity is offering a discounted rate of \$20 for students to be able to test remotely until April 12th. The Dual Enrollment program is not able to reimburse you for the virtual proctoring fee of \$20. Please [Click Here](#) to learn more about this process. **The priority registration deadline is March 30th**, so please take the exam as soon as you are able to ensure that you get the classes that you need. Once you email us and let us know that you would like to take the exam remotely and are ready to pay the \$20 non-refundable proctoring fee to Examity, we will generate a voucher for you. You will then receive an email with the next steps.

Before taking the Accuplacer exam, students must:

- Submit a Dual Enrollment Application for admission to the University of West Georgia. Please go to westga.edu/beginwest to start your application
- **Register for the exam by emailing dualenroll@westga.edu- You will receive a confirmation email once you have been registered that contains next steps**

Additional Information:

- UWG does not currently accept Accuplacer scores for admission for post-High School graduation. Students wishing to stay West after dual enrollment will need to complete an ACT or SAT at a later date.
- UWG can view your scores once you have completed the exam, and you do not need to send them to the Dual Enrollment team.
- After you have tested, submitted transcripts, and completed the application, please allow 7-10 days for your application to be reviewed.
- For additional information regarding the exam (including practice materials and testing information), please visit: <https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/>
- Test scores are NOT transferable to other institutions.
- The \$20 proctoring fee is to a third party, not UWG

TRANSCRIPT REQUEST PROCEDURES

Seniors: If you are applying to a college, then make the request through your Naviance account. Email your counselor to let her know she needs to go in and release it.

Dual Enrollment: If you are still needing to send your transcript to a dual enrollment college for admissions, then go to www.gafutures.org, log in to your account, then go to MYGAFUTURES tab, then go to the My High School Transcript. Follow the steps at the bottom of the page to send it electronically to the college.

Scholarships/Summer Programs/Good Student Discounts: If you need a transcript official or unofficial, email your counselor for assistance.

VIRTUAL REGISTRATION FOR 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR: Counselors are conducting virtual registrations with students who did not have the opportunity to meet face to face with their counselor prior to our shutdown. Students have received an email invitation from their counselor to complete this process. Please check for this email and meet virtually with your counselor.

FROM THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT:

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK: Join a student trip to [Yellowstone National Park](#) with Mrs. Sisk to improve your resume by adding ecological field research to your list of experiences! September 4-8, 2020 will be an outdoor adventure your child is sure to remember! Go to our [website](#) for more details & enrollment options OR contact Mrs. Sisk with any questions! sisk.stephanie@mail.fcboe.org

FROM CLOSE UP:

PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION ANYONE? Every four years, the eyes of the nation turn to Washington, DC, for the inauguration of our country's president. With Close Up, you get the chance to experience the power of our democracy up close through our exciting program. Decisions are being made now for the 2021 Presidential Inauguration in January in Washington, DC. If you would like to join the MHS Close Up program for this historic event see Ms. Edenfield (edenfield.laurette@mail.fcboe) in room A204 or Mr. Reagan (reagan.dallas@mail.fcboe) in room A203.

The Close Up Foundation is a nonprofit, nonpartisan civic education organization in Washington, D.C. Established in 1971, Close Up offers programming to educate and encourage young people to participate in their civic affairs and government.

FROM THE JUNIOR CLASS:

ATTENTION RISING SENIORS: There has been a change in the ordering process for Senior t-shirts. You may now order your Senior t-shirt online at <https://tgallsports.chipply.com/seniorshirts2021/>

FROM THE ACADEMIC RECOGNITION CLUB:

GRADUATION SIGNS: Graduation yard signs and banners are still going on despite the school being closed. Click here for the [Neighborhood Banner](#) and here for [Graduation Yard Sign](#) forms. Please send the form and check or money order payable to MHS Academic Recognition Club, and mail / drop off to Nancy Arinder 226 Newport Dr, Peachtree City, GA 30269. Orders are now due APRIL 13th, and we will have the signs and banners ready for pick-up on APRIL 30th, will keep you posted where that will be. For questions, please contact Mrs. Weldon or Mrs. Arinder.