Update: March 23, 2020

Parents,

1. School/Office Hours

Beginning today, March $23^{\rm rd}$, school office hours will be $8~{\rm AM}-12:00~{\rm pm}$. At least one administrator and minimal office staff will be in the building when the school is open. The Main Office, Counseling Center, and Attendance Office are open Monday through Friday. The Finance Office will be open Monday –Thursday.

2. Westlake Athletes

UHSAA has suspended all games, practices, and team gatherings. This is considered a Moratorium and athletes should not be accessing school facilities. This includes gyms, weight rooms, the football field and track, the baseball field, softball field, and tennis courts. This prevents schools from "obtaining an unfair competitive advantage" during the Covid-19 closure of schools.

3. Chromebook Pick-up

Chromebook checkout will continue through this week. Due to limited staff, please go to the following link to select an appointment or there will not be a staff member able to assist you. bit.ly/bjacksonappointment

Checkout Instructions

- 1. Before coming, make sure you have filled out the Chromebook checkout form online at bit.ly/ASDchromebook--put 000 for the ASD Tag ID
- 2. When you arrive, come to the roundabout in front of the main office.
- 3. Text your students name to (385)-685-0236, give a few minutes, and we will come out to your car with a Chromebook.

4. Breakfast and Lunch

All meals will be distributed from 8:30-11:00 am. Westlake will serve any student attending any ASD neighborhood school free of charge. Curbside pick-up will be used. The location of the curbside service will be out of the north gym doors by the football field.

5. Timeline of the School Dismissal

Many have asked how long the school dismissal is going to last. The timeline for the school dismissal which was issued by the Governor and the State Board of Education was two weeks. That takes us through this Friday, March 27th. We will wait for more direction from the Governor and the State Board of Education.

6. Club Rush for Incoming Sophomore (current 9th grade)

March 24th would have been our Incoming Sophomore Club Night. Instead we will have a Virtual Club Rush. Incoming Sophomores...please fill out the Virtual Club Rush if interested in any of our Westlake Clubs. Contact cbudge@alpinedistrict.org with any questions. Incoming Sophomore Virtual Club Rush

7. Statewide Assessments (ASPIRE) - Canceled

The Utah State Board of Education moved to suspend the requirement for the administration of statewide assessments (ASPIRE) this year.

8. Registration (Summary of what the Counseling Center sent out)

Registration for next year will begin on Wednesday March 25, 2020 @ 3:30 pm. for current 9th grade students. Arena scheduling (where students register for next year's classes) will be open until Wednesday April, 1 2020 @ midnight. *Counselors will be available via email from 3:30 to 5:00 pm that day.* You can find all the required materials for registration here: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1002VkU4b10CJPHjlHLhQXu4WlTTZPztz?usp=sharing

If you have questions, please email your counselor; and they will help you out.

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9. East Shore Deadlines Summary:

We are 60 days from our graduating senior East Shore final deadline.

Graduating Seniors Recommended Deadline for All Courses:

 May 15, 2020: East Shore Online recommends seniors complete all East Shore coursework by May 15th. This recommended deadline will provide ample time to resubmit assignments or retake tests if needed.

Graduating Seniors P.E. Registration Deadlines:

- Each P.E. unit takes a minimum of 1 week to complete and they cannot be taken simultaneously.
 - o **April 23, 2020:** Unit 1 of P.E. Skills and Fitness for Life will be unavailable for purchase.
 - o **April 30, 2020:** Unit 2 of P.E. Skills and Fitness for Life will be unavailable for purchase.
 - o **May 7, 2020:** Unit 3 of P.E. Skills and Fitness for Life will be unavailable for purchase.
 - o **May 14, 2020:** Unit 4 of P.E. Skills and Fitness for Life will be unavailable for purchase.

If you have any questions, visit our website at <u>eastshore.alpineschools.org</u> or contact our help desk at 801-610-8185.

Most of the things below this line are reminders from previous e-mails

10. Start of Distance Learning

If your student is having difficulty with distance learning, then please reach out to the teacher through e-mail and they can offer some suggestions as to how to ease frustration. The following may also be helpful:

Help for Parents

Online Learning Basics for Parents - owned device, not school issued Online Learning Basics for Parents - School Issued Chromebook

11. Technology Support

Families and students, we have a technology support help form. It is on the district <u>alpineschools.org/onlinelearning</u> page. We are changing it from "online learning info" to "technology help". If the issue is a problem with a document or resource in Canvas or Google Classroom, we will have the Innovative Coaches work with teachers to correct.

12. District Office Hours

Because the District Office will also be following limited hours of 8 AM - Noon, please reach out to us by email, text or cell phone if you have any questions or concerns that arise. We will all be available to help anytime. Other district office staff will be available to answer emails during normal office hours.

13. Spring Activities

We do not know what will happen with the spring sports/activity season. UHSAA has not provided any updates.

14. Drivers Ed

A few clarifications about Drivers Education: Many of our students have done a portion of their Drivers Education, but have not completed all three things (classroom instruction, range, and road). If a student has paid for road/range but has not done it yet, they can either postpone and do it when school resumes, or get a refund and finish it out with a private company.

15. ACT

ACT has canceled March 24th testing.

16. AP Tests

The Advanced Placement (AP) program has made an announcement to address questions relating to the 2020 AP exam administration. Please read the full update online and share this information with your AP Teachers, Principals, Counselors:

 $\frac{https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/about-ap/news-changes/coronavirus-update?SFMC_cid=EM288604-\&rid=30601834$

Here are a few highlights from the update:

- For the 2019-20 exam administration only, AP Exams will be offered online only (students may test at home or schools may coordinate to test at the school site).
- Each exam will be 45 min

- The online exam will be offered on two dates
- Additional test date information will be released on April 3rd
- Any students can cancel the exam at no charge. We encourage students to wait on making sudden decisions. More information to come on this.
- Only units covered until early March will be covered on the exam (a detailed matrix highlighting what will/will not be covered for each AP courses is available)
- Beginning on Wednesday, March 25, students and schools will have access to free, live AP review lessons, delivered by AP teachers from across the country.
- These lesson will be hosted on AP's YouTube channel
- This can be used by teachers and students
- We'll update this <u>webpage</u> and share updates by email, the online AP communities, and our social media channels.
- We are in the process of developing a plan for AP Capstone, AP Art and Design Courses, and AP CSP.
- Colleges support this solution and are committed to ensuring that AP students receive the credit they've worked this year to earn.
- We recognize that the digital divide could prevent some low-income and rural students from participating. *If your students need mobile tools or connectivity, you can reach us directly to let us know.*

Thank y	you for	your	continued	support.
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Sincerely,

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