Dear APW families,

With the recent announcement of school closure for the remainder of the 2019-2020 academic year, I am aware of the many unanswered questions you most likely have at this time. While we hope this letter provides some clarity on several major issues, we are hard at work planning for some of the more complicated problems caused by the covid-19 epidemic.

- **Instruction**
  Remote learning will continue through the end of the school year. Any questions or concerns regarding access or accommodations should be directed to building principals.

- **Food delivery**
  Food delivery will continue through the end of our academic year.

- **Grading**
  Marking period 3 grades will be distributed as normal but released at a later date pending additional guidance from NYSED. Marking period 4 grades will be calculated with full understanding of the challenges our community experiences with remote learning and geographic isolation. Marking period 4 grades will not be numerical in nature as we will deploy a Pass/ Fail/ Incomplete practice for the remainder of the year.

- **Access to buildings**
  * Elementary students will not have access to the building for the remainder of the year. Elementary teachers will be boxing and bagging up student belongings which will be distributed to parents at a later date to be communicated by Mrs. Woolson.
  * JSHS students will have access to the building by appointment only between May 18-22, 2020. Students must make appointments with the main office prior to arrival.

- **Special Events**
  While we will not be permitted to hold our traditional end of year celebrations such as 6th grade moving up, JSHS awards, and most significantly commencement, we are working on making these events as special for our students as possible within our current constraints. Thank you for all of the input and ideas we received so far and we will continue to communicate as plans come together.

Despite the uncertainty we are all struggling with, what remains certain is that this community comes together when it matters most. I am in awe of the generosity and selflessness I have seen since the beginning of all of this. We will get through this together and on behalf of our entire school community please do not hesitate to reach out to let us know what you and your family need as we see this through as one APW family.

Sincerely,

Eric Knuth

Superintendent of Schools.

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