

Dear CPS Families:

We've reached our last Monday update of the 2019-20 school year. When we began this school year, we could not have predicted this would be the way it would end. It has been anything but usual for us all. We'd like to thank you for your continued patience, grace, and flexibility over the last several months as we all navigated this very difficult and unprecedented period. While things did not go as we planned, we are proud of our students and their accomplishments this year. Thank you for trusting us with your child and for your continued support of Columbia Public Schools. We are continuing to plan for next school year and look forward to seeing our students again soon.

Below is the Monday update on operations in Columbia Public Schools:

Academics & Schools

- **The last day of the 2019-20 school year for students is May 21.**
- Please look for email correspondence from your child's school regarding the retrieval of **belongings left at school**. Elementary schools have been utilizing a drive-by retrieval system. Secondary schools have been using a schedule that aligns with mass gathering and social distancing requirements.
- The school district is working on **plans for what a return to school could look like this fall**. The district is developing several scenarios based on which re-entry step of the community health order we have reached regarding mass gatherings and social distancing. Those scenarios include a traditional return, entirely online, or a hybrid blend of in-person and online. We are currently seeking feedback from employees. We will be seeking feedback from families in June.

Food & Family Support Resources

- **Student meal account balances**, positive or negative, will roll to the next school year automatically. If your student is leaving the district, you can request to have the remaining balance refunded. To start this process, please request a refund via e-mail to lunch@cpsk12.org and provide the student name and/or student number and verify the correct mailing address. Checks will only be made out to acting parents/guardians and Nutrition Services may contact households to verify information. Refunds may take 2-4 weeks to process.
- **Grab-and-Go meals will continue through July 31.** Meals will not be delivered on May 25 or May 29, however meals on May 22 and May 28 will be doubled-up to make up for these non-delivery days. Routes are available on our website: <https://www.cpsk12.org/cms/lib/MO01909752/Centricity/Domain/9415/Grab-and-Go%20Updated%20Routes%204-13-20.pdf>
- **Counseling and mental health** resources are also available to families: <https://www.cpschoolcounseling.com/covid-19.html>

Technology

- **CPS Device Return and Replacement:**

- All students currently issued a CPS device will keep their device thru the 2020-2021 school year, with the exception of 8th graders, current seniors and students not returning to CPS in the fall.
 - Current **8th graders will keep iPads thru the summer** and upon entering high school in the fall, will receive laptops from their high school media specialists.
 - **Senior device collection will take place at each high school and the Career Center May 21 and May 22 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.**
 - **Students moving out of district or not returning to CPS** can turn in iPads and laptops at Aslin Administration Building south parking lot at **1818 W. Worley June 1st-3rd 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.**
 - iPads for current students grades 5-8 will be repaired and or replaced until May 31st. If a student has an issue after this date, the student will bring in the device when school resumes in the fall for a replacement device.
- Resources: www.cpsk12.org/covid19/technology.
 - Forgot your ID: <https://web.cpsk12.org/cpsonline/familyupdate/familyupdate.php#!>
 - Forgot your password: <https://launchpad.classlink.com/resetpassword?scode=CPSFamilies>

Please continue to follow the guidance from our local, state and federal agencies. Our COVID-19 website will continue to be updated regularly with information: www.cpsk12.org/COVID19

Wishing you a safe and healthy summer!

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