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"Bulldog...It's more than our mascot; it's our character"

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Good Morning Bulldogs and Bulldog Families:

Sorry to bother you so early in the morning, but I wanted to send some correspondence out to help recap yesterday. As you know we had Cohort A attend school for first time all year. The Cohort will be in today and we will see Cohort B on Thursday.

To be honest, over the weekend, I had some sleepless nights being concerned about how the day would go. I was so pleased to see how well everything went yesterday. Parents did a great job being respectful and patient as they dropped their children off, students were fabulously patient as well as they wore masks all day and paid attention to the navigation of the hall. We did, however, notice some items we need to refine, and this will get better each day as we get more and more used to this model.

It was an absolute pleasure working with your children today. They were so respectful and understanding today.

I know the district continues to have connectivity issues and some glitches with the telecommunication. We are constantly working on it and constantly trouble shooting.

Below are some reminders that we all should consider.

General Health Related Reminders

- Make sure before your child comes to school that you completed the screening pledge and are screening your child each morning for COVID symptoms
- For 6th Graders, please make sure you get your immunizations in to Mrs. Keane as well.

Drop off and pick up

- Drop off was well done yesterday morning. I ask that parents try to get to school no earlier than 7:50am. We can't social distance properly by just letting the students in as in previous years. At 7:55, the students are permitted in the building.
- Unfortunately, if a student is dropped off too early, we have to keep them outside and socially distanced until the bell rings.
- For Pick Up, we ask that you pull all the way to the end of the parking lot to wait for your children. We had a double-wide line today. While we had room, it creates a problematic jam to ensure the students safely cross. Officer Hamilton or Dr. Muscelli will be there to guide you through this process in the afternoon.

Keep Your Social Distance

- As students were learning the new traffic pattern in the hallway, they unknowingly tended to bunch up as they were moving. Please remind your students that we have red tape on the floor that signifies 6 feet. We ask as children are walking in the hall, they maintain a tape distance

from the person in front of them. All in all, the students did a great job today and were respectful of the process

Lunches

- Lunch is provided as students leave the building. This is a grab and go format and available to anyone in A,B, or C cohorts.
- Students however cannot eat the food on the bus.
- Unless a medical necessity, students are discouraged from eating in school.

Backpacks

- During this remote/Hybrid model, back packs are permitted.
- Students can carry their backpacks with them, especially since there are no lockers

Earbuds/Headphone, Refillable Water Bottle, and Charged Laptop

- It is essential that your children come to school each day with headphones or earbuds so as to properly access tutorials on Schoology.
- It is highly recommended that each student bring a refillable water bottle to stay hydrated.
- Each student should come to school with a fully charged laptop

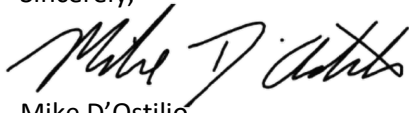
If you haven't done so already, please check out the screencast of the Hybrid Model

<https://youtu.be/DEWBtRdb29o>

Finally, I'd like to thank all the parents who have been more than accommodating in understanding that we may not get back to you as fast recently. Like you, we get an onslaught of emails. If you feel we didn't get back to you, it's no problem, just email us again. Sometimes, the email gets overlooked in the inbox. It's not intentional, just missed in the email feed.

Take care Bulldog Families. Thank you for raising such awesome young Bulldogs.

Sincerely,



Mike D'Ostilio