

Catamount Messenger 4.15.20

Catamount Families,

We hope that your children have been engaged with remote learning this week. We are here to support you during this time – please feel free to reach out to teachers, counselors and staff.

Remote Learning Information

We kicked off new remote learning on 4/13. Please see our PCHS website for remote learning information and previous Catamount Messengers: <u>https://www.wcpss.net/domain/16782</u>

Students should be receiving weekly schedules from each of their teachers with the expectations of learning for the week in that class. If there are questions about the schedule or how your child needs to access class information, please reach out to the teacher via email.

*Students should be checking, at least daily, their WCPSS student email and their teacher's website/technology platform. Technology support information can be found at this link: <u>https://sites.google.com/wcpss.net/instructional-continuity-wcpss/technology-support-for-families</u>

If your child has technology needs during this time and you have not already let your 2nd period teacher know, please do that so we can get them access to remote learning. Families that have already indicated a need should have received an email from Crystal Locus, Assistant Principal, regarding pickup. If you did not receive that information, please contact her at clocus@wcpss.net.

Grading and Feedback on Remote Learning

<u>Grade 12</u>

WCPSS Update on April 9:

As of today, all high school seniors are operating on a pass/incomplete system, receiving either a "P" or an "I." Seniors who were passing as of March 13 will receive a "P" for the semester. This will stand for the rest of the current school year. We still strongly encourage seniors to engage in remote learning, as we do not know whether schools will reopen May 18.

WCPSS FAQ Document on April 2:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1DDG3ABvjwP1rXejLssLSsV42DkYyWTDQoM2GvXSv_HM/edit

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What does this mean for our Grade 12 students?

The state's guidance is that (1) a senior passing on March 13 will receive a "Pass" (PC-19) for the course, and (2) final grades will not be issued immediately because we expect and want seniors to stay engaged in learning for those courses. Therefore, for a student passing on March 13, their graduation status will not change based on their ability to engage during this period of remote learning. However, we do encourage seniors to engage and hope they will as we want them to continue to build academic skills and maintain positive academic behaviors as that should only serve to support them in having a strong start to their next learning beyond high school. Also, we believe there's benefit to them maintaining connection to their classmates for social and emotional reasons and because, at this point, we are still operating on the assumption that we will return to school on May 18.

<u>Grades 9-11</u>

WCPSS Update on April 9:

What has yet to be determined is exactly what will happen for all other students. A third quarter grade of pass (P) or incomplete (I) is being used as a placeholder since school was abruptly closed on March 14. Once we have clear direction from NC DPI, student progress between now and the end of school and teacher monitoring of student achievement will determine final marks for the school year. All students who were not passing on March 13 will have the opportunity to improve to a passing grade. They should ask their teacher or teachers about their options.

It is still possible, based on state guidance, that traditional grading could resume should we return to school after May 15. That makes it imperative that students keep up with their coursework.

WCPSS FAQ Document from April 2:

Grades 9-11: <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/1jnNjElVRR8F1J-f2gViuBONBuYADF14qDpcgJslVKW4/edit</u>

WCPSS District Updates

WCPSS sends out district updates through School Messenger and they also post these updates on their Coronavirus webpage. We encourage you to review these messages as needed at this link: <u>https://www.wcpss.net/Page/42068</u>

You can click on the "latest updates" tab which will include all previous updates. On this page, you can also find community resources for food, well-being, etc.

Administrator/Counselor Contact

Here is the administrator/counselor contact information:

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Thank you for your continued support of Panther Creek High School!