



DHS UPDATES: June 19, 2020

Below are reminders and updates for the week! For previous DHS Updates please visit our website here: [DHS Weekly Updates](#). All are encouraged to follow DHS on Twitter at [@TweetDHS](#) and to use the Danvers Public Schools app. and the [DHS website](#) to keep up to date on all things Falcons. We are here to help and to be sure every student is getting what they need to succeed!

1. **Additional Chromebook Drop Off Added!** We have added one more time for 9th, 10th and 11th grade students to drop off Chromebooks and textbooks next Tuesday, June 23rd from 5-7 pm at DHS. We are asking that all students return their chromebooks as we need to refurbish and repair devices. All DHS students will be receiving a new device in the Fall.

2. **Work Permits** - please email Rachael Saggese at Raffaellasaggese@danvers.org and Dr. Colombino at colombino@danvers.org for work permits. Work Permits can be completed and processed remotely.

3. Our **Summer Reading** program will consist of encouraging students to read at least 30 minutes a day. We will be providing a great list of books for students to read and will be partnering with the Danvers Public Library and the Peabody Essex Institute to help make titles available to our students.

4. **AP Summer Work** - students will receive AP summer work on or around July 15th. We did complete a survey of students and the vast majority indicated they had access to an additional electronic device (other home computer, tablet, or phone) for which they can complete the work. If a student does not have access to a device at home, we will provide paper copies when the work is released. We will provide additional details to all students and families enrolled in AP courses shortly.

5. **Q4 Report Cards** - final grades for the year will be posted and available on PowerSchool next week. We will send out a separate email to all families when final grades are available in PowerSchool.

6. **Reminder: Academic Eligibility** - We wanted to clarify expectations for eligibility for athletics and all co-curricular activities (DECA, Theater, Band, Falconzie and all other DHS-sponsored clubs and co-curriculars) for the Fall of 2020. In order to be academically eligible, students need to:

I. Pass all classes for Quarter 4

II. Pass core classes (Math, English, History, Science and World Language) for the year.

Contact Dr. Colombino at colombino@danvers.org with questions around academic eligibility.

Please note that students have the opportunity to make up one course through summer school to meet eligibility requirements for the Fall.

7. College and Career Support: Students and families please visit the **DHS Virtual Counseling Center** that has been set up by your school counselors and social workers to help you with time management, post secondary planning, social emotional support, and class specific activities. This site will continue to be updated so continue to check back frequently. Reach out to any of us with any questions or concerns.
<https://sites.google.com/danvers.org/dhs-counseling-department/>

8. [DHS Library from Home](#) - Thanks to our Librarian Ann Distacio for coordinating this excellent resource for students. Students are encouraged to check out the variety of resources on the newly revamped [Library from Home](#) webpage. Keep reading DHS!

9. [Danvers Public Schools Leadership Letter to the Community](#): our country is in unprecedented times in many ways. Please see the following letter from Danvers Public Schools Leadership, and joint letter with the Town of Danvers, on the death of George Floyd, The letter also includes resources for parents to help with conversation at home: <https://danverspublicschools.org/dhs/letter-to-the-community-from-danvers-public-schools-leadership/> If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at colombino@danvers.org.

10. 2020-2021 School Year Plans - we understand many people have questions on what the 2020-2021 school year will look like. We will continue to keep families and students updated over the summer. Please do not hesitate to reach out with feedback and questions.

Closing

Thank you for all of the support, caring and communication during a very challenging school year for all of us. We look forward to continuing our work together for all of our students, and we hope you all have a wonderful summer.

Best,

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