Dear Danvers School Community:

Here are this week’s updates from the Danvers Public Schools:

**Healing & Unity Experience (HUE):** Thank you to the more than 500 residents that came to HUE, hosted by DanversCARES and the Danvers Human Rights and Inclusion Committee, at Danvers High School on Saturday. The turnout was amazing and brought together students, community members, performers and organizations to share cultures and promote friendship.

You can see a slideshow of the event in the Salem News, as well as an article in the Danvers Patch.

**DHS Graduation:** We are looking forward to recognizing the Class of 2022 at their commencement on Saturday. It will be held at 10:00 am on Morse Field at Dr. Deering Stadium. Due to the pandemic, this class had many disruptions to a typical high school experience. It will be nice to celebrate their accomplishments with a traditional graduation ceremony. Here’s a link to watch it live on DCAT: DHS Class of 2022 Graduation - 6/11/22.

**2022/2023 ONLINE BUS REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR GRADES K to 12:**
All new and existing students who want to ride the bus for the upcoming school year must register before September 7, 2022. Students who do not register will not be placed on the approved transportation list in the fall. Space availability on the bus is on a first-come, first-served basis. Here is the link to register: https://danverspublicschools.org/transportation-information/.

**Bus Fees:** Early bus registration runs from June 6 through July 15, 2022, with a bus fee of $170.00 per student (maximum per family, $510.00). If you register on or after July 16, 2022, the fee is $180.00 per student (maximum per family, $540.00).

**Bus Eligibility:** The following students are eligible for bus transportation:
- Grades K to 5 students living 1 mile or over from their school.
- Grades 6 to 12 students living 1.5 miles or over from their school.
No student will be denied transportation because of financial hardship. Bus fee waivers are available for students who qualify for free or reduced lunch (the Free and Reduced Lunch application will be available on the Food & Nutrition Services page of our website after July 1).
For further information about bus registration, please use this link to access our flyer.

**eFunds School Lunch Payments:** Food Services' Point-of-Sale system, Meal Magic, has updated and replaced their Send-Money-to-School interface with the new Family Portal payment interface. This update also requires an update to eFunds for Schools, temporarily deactivating the ability to process school lunch payments on eFunds for the time being. We do not have an official date for when eFunds will be back up and running for school lunch payments.

Until this is reactivated with eFunds, in order to add money to your student's lunch account, please go to the Meal Magic Family Portal. If you had a previous Send-Money-to-School account, you must click the "My Account" button and reset your passphrase. If you did not previously have an account, you must click the "Register" button and follow the prompts to set up an account for your student(s). You can also send your student to school with cash or a check (made payable to Danvers School Lunch) to add to their account at the lunch line register.
We apologize for the inconvenience and disruption this has caused. Please reach out to Food Services if you have any questions or issues, 978-777-8925, x2388 or x2389.

**June School Committee Meeting:** The June Danvers School Committee meeting is scheduled for 7:00 pm on Monday, June 13th. It will be held at Danvers High School. The meeting is open to the public and may also be watched live on DCAT – Comcast channel 8 and Verizon channel 37.

**Last Day of School:** The last day of school for the 2021-2022 school year is June 23rd with dismissal at 11:35 am at the middle and high schools, and 12:05 pm at the elementary schools. Food Services will be offering free
lunches for students on the last day of school. Lunch is available for families who would like one sent home with their student(s) on Thursday, 6/23/22. Parents of elementary and middle school students must pre-order lunch by 10:00 pm on Tuesday, 6/21/22 by using this link: Last Day of School Lunch Order. High school students can grab lunch from the Snack Bar as they are dismissed that day.

Please note: These lunches will NOT be served in school. They will be available as Grab & Go for students to take home at the end of the school day.

Thank you!

Mary Wermers
Interim Superintendent

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