



Charter School for Applied Technologies

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Dear CHSAT Parents and Guardians,

The upcoming 2020-2021 school year is going to look completely different than in years past. As a community, we have dealt with various challenges that have impacted the way in which we educate our students. COVID-19 is just one more challenge we need to overcome. We are committed to giving all our students the education they deserve, and we will do all that we can to achieve that goal.

As a result of recommendations from the governor and the CSAT Reopening Committees, we have determined that we will start the year in a fully remote setting.

Here are some important details to know at this time:

- Information about computer rollout will be forthcoming. Dates to come by the Elementary School for a technology pick up will be posted to the website shortly.
- CSAT will offer **two informational sessions** during which parents will be able to have all their questions answered. Please check the website for dates and times.
- There will be a **new student orientation scheduled for any student new to CHSAT on August 26th and August 27th based a scheduled appointment.** More information as to time and place to follow.
- Students can check the student portal for their courses for the year. Please refer to the directions about schedule changes that accompany this letter. **All course change requests must be made by August 21st.**
- **Start date for instruction is August 31st.** You can expect to have teachers reach out to students before then with meeting instructions and more information.
- The platform for all instruction is **Microsoft TEAMS.** Training for students and parents on TEAMS will be administered virtually, dates to be determined. Prior to the 31st, however, teachers will have posted to their TEAMS site a syllabus and introductory letter.
- **Attendance will be taken daily through Microsoft TEAMS.**
- A separate mailing will include more specific information on the daily requirements for all students.
- Information about food distribution will be forthcoming.

We know that this is not an ideal situation. We all want our students back in school. However, first and foremost, we want our students safe. We are planning to make this the best learning situation as possible. Look for us to replicate and innovate new ways to give students all the experiences of high school life. It might look different but some of the social “rites of passage” for our students will still take place. Clubs will still happen. It may look different, but it is an important part of our school culture.

I look forward to answering any of your questions, as I will be available for questions on the informational evenings. Please call the school if you have additional questions after that time. Enjoy what is left of this summer vacation and stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Ann T. Morgante
Principal

The Charter School for Applied Technologies prepares students to attain family-sustaining careers by integrating career exploration and a lifelong learning culture.