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Dear MJSD Families,

Now that we have survived the final blast of winter and celebrated Mother's Day weekend, we are all looking ahead to spring weather. I hope you are able to spend some time outdoors getting some exercise and fresh air.

Thank you to those of you who took the time to complete our school surveys. Responses have been mostly positive and we appreciate the suggestions for how we can improve our online/at home instruction practices. We do realize that this process has some flaws and we are doing our best to improve access to materials and school to home communication as we move forward.

Here is our weekly update for the second week of May. This letter connects you with several resources that we have developed and continue to refine as we move forward. Thank you for your efforts and attention to these matters. We appreciate our partnership with you and look forward to continuing to work with you.

Materials from the Libraries

Library materials will now be available curbside pick-up at our schools and at the Menasha Public Library. Please check out the resources available [here](#).

Pickup of personal belongings and At-Home book bags

Times have been scheduled this week for families to pick up any remaining materials and personal belongings from school. We will also distribute At-Home book bags at this time. Your student will be receiving a book bag that contains reading books at their reading level or grade level for them to continue reading at home. These are books for you to keep at home and do not need to be returned to school. Check for messages from your school regarding times and dates.

MJSD continues student online/at-home learning

The Menasha Joint School District will continue online/at-home learning through the end of the school year. Follow this [link](#) for an update on online/at-home learning. Please feel free to reach out to your child's teacher(s) if you have any questions or your child needs support in any of the online/at-home learning assignments.

Summer school information and registration can be found [here](#).

School meals continue to be provided

Free meals for **all families** will continue to be handed out to all students Monday through Friday from 11:00am – 12:30pm at five sites. On Fridays, we will be handing out dinner for Friday and lunch and breakfast for Saturday and Sunday. Bags will include lunch and the following day's breakfast. No forms or registration is required. Parents/guardians can pick up the meals without their children present. We encourage families to practice social distancing and not congregate at the meal pickup locations. See the food service update on our [COVID-19 website](#).

Social/emotional wellbeing is a priority

We care about the social/emotional wellbeing of our students and staff. There are many resources available on our [district website](#). Counselors, Social Workers, and Psychologists are available to support your student or family during this closure. Parents and students that requested assistance through the recent survey will be contacted this week by a counselor, social worker or psychologist.

Content Filtering for Students

Questions have come up regarding content filtering for the students while at home. MJSD is using a product called Securly for filtering and reporting on sites students are accessing. In an effort to keep our students safe, these reports are monitored 24/7 and any action related to the reports will be addressed daily during normal working hours of 8am to 4pm.

Chromebook pickup or swap

We will continue to distribute Chromebooks for families who have not picked one up on Wednesdays from 9am to 11am at the MHS Auto Shop (northwest corner of the building). We will also swap out Chromebooks for families who are having issues with their current MJSD technology. The final date for these exchanges will be Wednesday, May 20th. Chromebook returns will begin the week of June 1st. Updates and details of the return will be out in the next two weeks. If your students are struggling with MJSD technology, please fill out this form for help: MJSD [Technology Support Form](#).

Please check our [website](#) for additional resources and updates. We will continue to provide major updates to you each Monday. Thank you for your support of our students in their learning. We hope you are well.

Sincerely,

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