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## A Message from Kristine

I hope this message finds you and your child(ren) healthy! I want to take this moment to say Thank You to all our amazing Faculty and Staff! Cheers to you during Teacher Appreciation Week!

Since winter break, the Instructional Leadership Team, Administration, Finance and Personnel Committees have been working hard on the development of the school's FY21 Operating and Capital Budgets. The areas of focus have been projecting our tuition revenues, negotiating a new threeyear compensation and benefits package, instructional programming and occupancy costs. The DESE reported in March that the FY20 average per pupil tuition is projected to be \$15,202. The following table shows a 5 year history of tuition data:

	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
FTE	601.27	756.74	923.71	946.28	1001
Tuition	7,073,452	9,238,323	11,959,950	12,949,629	14,278,362
Facilities	536,929	675,773	825,004	845,029	938,823
Total Payment to School	7,610,381	9,914,096	12,784,954	13,794,658	15,217,185

The School plans to enroll 1,075 students in FY21. The finance committee will budget tuition revenues for 1,060. This gives us some flexibility due to

student demographic shifts throughout the year. Revenues will be based on 1,060 students. Over the next day or so, I hope to have more information from DESE on FY21 tuition revenues. This data will be used to finalize the revenue budget. At this time, there is much uncertainty as to how COVID-19 will impact the federal and state educational budgets and what this will mean for charter schools. We have been told to prepare a conservative budget. In order to project FY21 tuition revenues, we need to know what is happening to school budgets in your district. Currently, we are compiling information about what districts are planning. But as you know, things can quickly change. If you could assist us by providing updates on what is happening with your town or city school budget that would be of great help. Please email kbingham@sscps.org with any information that you feel might be of importance.

If you would like more information on the school budget, please email <u>kbingham@sscps.org</u>.

For more information on charter school finances go <u>here</u>. The FY21 SSCPS Operating Budget presentation will be held remotely during the Finance Committee meeting on Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 6:30pm or at 7:30pm during the Board of Trustees meeting. All are welcome.

Best,

Kristine Bingham Director of Finance and Human Resources

# **SSCPS Makes Art History**

# **Community Art Show**

Here we are together working through this strange time in our daily lives. We are making our own history in our own ways. We are asking you to be witness to this time in your life by joining us and sending in a piece of what you are seeing, feeling, hearing, doing so that together we can compile our history as a community.

Draw and write, compose and sing, paint and assemble, layer upon layer, create a video, design a poster which ever way you choose to express how you are feeling or what you are seeing, doing, hearing.

Please follow this link to the new **SSCPS Arts web site**. <u>https://sites.google.com/sscps.org/sscps-arts-music/sscps-makes-art-history</u>

Submissions are a simple upload away. Please have them in by **June 1** for this year's virtual show. Let us establish our place in the history of today!

All family members welcome!

The Arts Department

## FROM THE PARENTS ASSOCIATION

It's that time of year! While every parent is automatically a member of the Parents Association (PA), we have a few positions that require a vote! We are opening up nominations for the 2020-2021 school year and invite you to consider YOURSELF!

Are you interested in being more involved? Care to hang out with a group of SSCPS parents and guardians once a month to make our school better? Want to be part of keeping families and school connected?

Well....joining PA might be for you! We're an integral part of engaging families to support our school.

All positions are up for nomination!

We're kicking off the election process by inviting you to selfnominate for a position. Nominations will be accepted until 5/15/20. Please consider nominating yourself.

Once nominations have been collected, we will send another email with a survey link for you to vote for all of your PA officers, committee chairs and level/grade representatives.

We plan to close the voting by 5/29/20 and announce in the 6/3/20 weekly

If you are interested in running for a position, we invite you to selfnominate here:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SSCPSPA2020-2021

Thank you for your continued support of our children and their school. Questions can be sent to <u>sscpspaelection@gmail.com</u>, or you can contact any member of the PA.

## **COVID-19 RESOURCES**

## **Articles for Families**

PBS | How to Talk to Your Kids About CoronavirusChild Mind Institute | Supporting Families During COVID-19New York Times | 5 Ways to Help Teens Manage Anxiety About theCoronavirusNew York Times | Talking to Teens and Tweens About CoronavirusACEs in Education and COVID-19Parenting with ACEs in a pandemicPracticing resilience during social distancing

### **Podcasts for Families**

The Daily | A Kid's Guide to Coronavirus

# Books for Children and Families

My Hero Is You, Storybook for Children on COVID-19

## **COVID-19 Government Updates**

<u>CDC Updates</u> <u>FDA Updates</u> <u>Massachusetts Department of Public Health</u> <u>City of Boston</u>

## Remote Learning Resources for Families Zoom Information for Parents The Parents' Guide to Google Classroom

The Remote Learning Survey for Families has been closed. Thank you all families who participated. The 2020 Family Survey will remain open until May 11, 2020. If you have not done so, please complete the 2020 Family Survey before May 11. Thank you!

# **IMPORTANT MEAL INFORMATION**

# DISTRICT INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECEIVING FREE AND REDUCED MEALS

With school closures due to COVID-19 outbreak, many schools and community partners are preparing to make meals available to students when school is closed.

For the most up-to-date information we have available, please visit this <u>link</u> or view a map of locations below or via this <u>map link</u>. Please be aware that plans are continuously changing, so continue checking back if you do not find any meals for your community.

For more information and to learn of other food assistance resources available, please contact Project Bread's FoodSource Hotline. The FoodSource Hotline can be reached at 800-645-8333 from 8am-7pm Monday-Friday, and Saturdays from 10am-2pm, and can provide information in 160 languages through our Language Line.

#### <u>211</u>

If you need assistance finding food, paying housing bills, accessing free childcare, or other essential services, <u>click here</u> to find your local 211 or dial 211 to speak to someone who can help.

If you need further assistance from SSCPS, please contact Charlene Salamone at csalamone@sscps.org.

#### ABINGTON

The Abington Public Schools Food Service Program will be providing graband-go breakfast and lunch meals to families in need of food assistance. If your family is in need of assistance, please contact Bernie Darcy, Food Service Director, at meals@abingtonps.org or at 781-982-2156 to make arrangements for meals.

#### **ATTLEBORO**

Students will have access to a "grab and go" school lunch during this closure. For the safety of participants and staff, our procedure will comply with social distancing expectations. Hours for pick up are 11:30 to 1:00 PM at the Principal's Entrance (on Blue Pride Way) at Attleboro High School. Contact Marc Furtado at mfurtado@attleboroschools.org or at 508-222-0012 x1522 for more information.

In addition, The Attleboro Interfaith Collaborative "Food N Friends" Program serves meals daily, to anyone who needs it. The meals are served to go, between 4:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. at various locations around the city. Visit their <u>Facebook page</u> for the schedule.

#### <u>AVON</u>

Butler Elementary School Monday through Friday from 8:00 am-11:00 am. Please come to the door on the left side of the building. Meals will be "grab and go". Lunches will be brought outside upon your arrival. There will be no admittance into the building.

#### **BOSTON**

BPS will continue to provide free breakfast and lunch meals to all Boston children beginning Tuesday, March 17. Locations will be open Monday - Friday from 8:30 am - 11:30 am at the schools listed below and shown on this map in blue. A variety of packaged meal options will be available for pick-up. <u>https://www.boston.gov/departments/food-access/map-meal-sites-boston</u>

#### **BRAINTREE**

Offering grab and go meals FREE to all children in Braintree 18 years and under during school closures. Pick up meals between 10 AM to 12 PM Monday and Thursday at Hollis Elementary School (482 Washington St) or Ross Elementary (20 Hayward St). Any questions please contact Sarah Coughlin at <u>sarah.coughlin@braintreeschools.org</u> or at 617-653-7166

#### **BRIDGEWATER**

Monday through Friday from 9 to 11 at the front entrance of Bridgewater High School 415 Center Street, Bridgewater.

#### **BROCKTON**

Meals will be available from 11:30 to 1 pm at Brockton High School, North Middle School, South Middle School and East Middle School. Families who plan to pick up meals at Brockton High should use the Belmont Street entrance. Upon arrival, please follow the traffic cones to enter the line. The Food Services team will count the number of children in your vehicle and provide one breakfast and one lunch for each student present. The team will

provide reheating instructions when needed. There are several food pantries in the city of Brockton ready to help families cope during this school closure. The Charity Guild on Main Street has a Food Pantry that is open between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Learn more on their <u>website</u>.

Here's a <u>list</u> of other food pantries in the Greater Brockton area.

#### **HALIFAX**

Please contact Megan Ahrenholz, RD, School Nutrition Director, 781-582-3556 or <u>mahrenholz@slrsd.org</u>.

#### HANOVER

Please contact <u>jvlassakis@hanoverschools.org</u> to receive meals during school closures.

#### HANSON

If you are in need please contact <a href="mailto:Jeffrey.szymaniak@whrsd.org">Jeffrey.szymaniak@whrsd.org</a>

**HINGHAM** 

#### Complete Survey Here

#### HOLBROOK

Meal pick up at the Superintendent Office door #3 Monday through Friday 11-12 pm.

#### <u>HULL</u>

Use this link to sign up for weekly deliveries

https://www.hullpublicschools.org/district/families-

<u>students/pages/freereduced-meals-information</u> or if you have any questions please contact Vinny Harte at vinny@wellspringmultiservice.org or at 781-925-3211 x110.

#### **KINGSTON**

Please contact Megan Ahrenholz, RD, School Nutrition Director, 781-582-3556 or <u>mahrenholz@slrsd.org</u>.

#### MARSHFIELD

Marshfield Food Pantry located at 1837 Ocean Street is opened on Tuesdays 9:30 am to 12:00 pm, Wednesdays 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm and Fridays 9:30 am to 12:00 pm.

If any additional food assistance is needed call 781-837-0359 or www.marshfieldfoodpantry.org

NORWELL

Please email judith.crooks@norwellschools.org

#### PEMBROKE

Grab and Go meals are available on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Hobomock Elementary School 11-1. There will be tables set up so families can truly grab and go.

#### **PLYMOUTH**

Grab and Go meals are available Monday – Friday from 11:30 am – 12:30 pm at the locations listed below.

Families in need are welcome to visit one of these locations on Fridays from 9:30 am - 12:30 pm to pick up a bag of non-perishable food items to take home.

- Indian Brook Elementary School 1181 State Road
- Hedge Elementary School 258 Standish Avenue (Please enter the back of the building through blue cafeteria door)

Should you need additional assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to <u>food@plymouth.k12.ma.us</u>.

Delivery is available for families who need it. Please visit <u>www.bit.ly/PPSFoodDelivery</u>

#### <u>QUINCY</u>

Breakfast and lunch will be available Monday through Friday from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm for pick up at Lincoln Hancock Community School, North Quincy High School, Quincy High School, Snug Harbor Elementary, Clifford Marshall Elementary, Montclair Elementary, Parker Elementary and Atherton Hough Elementary.

Additional information can be found at www.facebook.com/quincypsnutrition/

#### **RANDOLPH**

Randolph Public Schools will deliver meals on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:20 am near the rental/leasing offices at Liberty Place, Rosemont Square aka Chestnut West, Pacella Park, Avalon Apartments/Pryne Hills, Franklin Square Condominiums. The buses will stay for 20 minutes. If you can't make it to those sites, the four pick-up sites will still remain from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Donovan Elementary School, the Lyons Elementary School, the JFK Elementary School and the Randolph High School

#### ROCKLAND

Free bag lunch will be served Monday through Friday at the "Mainstreet" entrance of RHS/RMS between the hours of 11:30 am and 12:30 pm.

#### TAUNTON

Contact Karen Pappa at <u>kpappa@tauntonschools.org</u> or at 1-508-821-5859

#### **WEYMOUTH**

Student meals will be available for DRIVE-THROUGH and walk-through pick up between 11:00-1:00 each day at Seach Primary School and Abigail Adams Middle School. Each student meal will consist of milk and a bagged lunch. The program will be available each weekday during the closure period. This form will be sent out each week for you to complete. These lunch options are FREE for all students. Lunches noted may change due to student participation. We appreciate all families who complete this form to help us estimate demand but will provide food to all families. <u>Sign Up Here</u>

#### **WHITMAN**

If you are in need please contact <u>Jeffrey.szymaniak@whrsd.org</u> Information is constantly changing so please check this <u>list</u> for the most up to date information the state has on meal distribution.

Stay Healthy!

#### SSCPS YEARBOOK COMMITTEE

To order online go to <u>www.coffeepond.com</u>, to login use school password: bluejaguar.

See the information from <u>Coffee Pond</u>!

The deadline for families to has been extended to April 30!

Submit a special personalized page for their senior that will appear in the back of the book at these rates: Full page \$150, 1/2 pg. \$75, 1/4 pg. \$50. The yearbook staff can help with any design concerns.

Please email Christine at cbodnar@sscps.org with any questions.

Wednesday	05/06	Advanced Placement Contracts <b>Due</b>	
Week of 5/11		Advance Placement Testing Begins	

Thursday	05/14	Board of Trustees Finance and Personnel Joint Meeting	6:30pm	
		via Zoom		
Thursday	05/14	Board of Trustees Annual and Regular Meeting via	7.2000	
		Zoom	7:30pm	

**Zoom Information for Parents** 

**School Documents** 

2019-20 School Calendar

<u>2020-21 School Calendar</u>

<u>Student and Family</u> <u>Handbook</u>

SSCPS By-Laws

Pick-up Procedures

## **Important Links**

Weekly Updates are emailed and posted to our website <u>www.sscps.org</u> every Wednesday.

- 2020 Annual Family Survey
- Free and Reduced Lunch Pick Up Information
- <u>Massachusetts Department of Transitional</u>
   <u>Assistance</u>
- Visit our new online option to <u>purchase</u> SSCPS apparel
- Community Interest: Click here for information on <u>Team IMPACT</u>

Here are links to upcoming events and other items of interest. Please contact Pam Algera at <u>palgera@sscps.org</u> to submit SSCPS items for publication.

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