

## October 2020 NEWSLETTER

***\* Please review the "Provision and Recording of Remote Educational Service" documents available on the district website under the COVID-19 Documentation information center regarding Student Privacy.***

### **Important Dates Coming Up**

- September 28th- Board meeting at 7:00 pm
- October 5th- Material Pick-up from **8:00-12:00 and 4:00-7:00**
- October 6th- MAP Testing for 2-6 grade- AM
- October 7th- MAP Testing for 2-6- AM
- October 8th- No School, Teacher Institute Day
- October 9th- No School, Teacher Institute Day
- October 12th-No School, Columbus Day
- October 13th- MAP Make-ups- AM only
- October 15th- Picture Day- Please read more information down below

### **Fall Assessment**

Hooper students will be participating in Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessments on October 6th, October 7th, and October 13th for make-ups. Such assessment will allow for timely and actionable data to be collected. Teachers will gain an understanding of their students' skill as well as conceptual and specific knowledge that reflects classroom content.

#### **Tips for Parents/Guardians**

Minimize distractions for your child as much as possible

Provide a quiet testing environment

Allow the teacher/proctor to open the session first

Follow any additional instructions from the teacher/proctor

The data helps teachers understand what students know today, so goals can be set to improve growth throughout the year. **So we can best teach your child, please do not assist them unless informed to do so by a teacher.**

#### **Prior to Testing Day**

Make sure your Chromebook has an internet connection

Make sure your child has headphones

Practice the test at [practice.mapnwea.org](https://practice.mapnwea.org)

(Username: grow, Password: grow)

Again, teachers will gain an understanding of their students' skill as well as conceptual and specific knowledge that reflects classroom content. From such assessments, data-informed instruction will take place as we:

- Determine student's areas of strength, with a focus on priority standards
- Determine student's areas for growth and educational gaps with a focus on priority standards
- Prioritize a strong review and infusion of the critical standards and key skills that were not addressed or mastered from the previous school year
- Determine strategies to meet areas of growth and educational gaps
- Determine best use of resource staff members based upon students' areas for growth and educational gaps
- Determine what we want the students to know based upon their background knowledge
- Determine what we want the students to know as an individual or collectively
- Determine how the students will demonstrate what they know, understand, or are able to do
- Differentiate
- Establish goals for individual student growth

## **Picture Day**

Hooper Jaguar Photo Day is Coming!!!!

PICTURE DAY is Thursday, October 15, 2020. Please see the schedule below.

8:00-9:00 AM Early Childhood, K, and Grade 1

9:30-10:30 AM Grades 2 and 3

11:00 - 12:00 PM Grades 4, 5, and 6

You are now able to pre-order your child's photo by clicking on the link below. ALL orders must be placed on line as there are NO paper order forms. ALL pictures will be shipped directly to you.

<http://edclarkschoolphoto.com/school/>

As a special BONUS to you.. if you pre-order online **BEFORE** picture day, you will receive **FREE** personalization. (Just make sure that you select it when ordering.)

TOUCHLESS PHOTO DAY!!!

ALL siblings should arrive together at their **earliest** assigned time slot (above). Please pull into the back lot and have your child(ren) ENTER DOOR #8. Students will then have their photo taken and will EXIT DOOR #8. Students will then get

into your waiting car and you will leave to continue remote learning. The touchless process in place will ensure the safety of our Hooper families and staff, as well as Ed Clark Photography. "Mirrored Posing" will be utilized by the photographer; therefore, staff will not get close to the students. We are aware that it may be difficult for families to attend this morning session; therefore, we are working with Ed Clark Photography to find a solution for an additional photo day. More information will be sent after the October 15th photo session.

**\*\*Masks MUST be worn at all times with the exception of the actual photo\*\***

### **Google Meets**

- Please remember to make sure your child is muted during the live google meets. Students should only be unmuted when the teacher calls on them. It is very distracting for the teacher and other students on google meet when they hear all of the background noise.
- If your child is at daycare during the day, please remind them to make sure your child is muted during the live google meets as well.
- Don't forget you can download seesaw to your phones. It's a great way to get the assignments from the teachers beforehand and see the work your child does everyday.

### **Chromebook Difficulties**

- **Daily support & repair operations have resumed:** We have resumed daily repair operations as well as general support as of 8/3. We have temporarily centralized support at Peter J. Palombi Middle School during full remote. If your student is having an issue with their school Chromebook or any other general school related IT issue, please send an email to [technology@district41.org](mailto:technology@district41.org) and a ticket will be created for you in our system. One slight change from the spring, during this full remote portion of the school year, if you need to come onsite (for repair, exchange....etc), please come to the media center entrance at Peter J. Palombi NOT the front office.
- Another option is to clear your Cache and Cookies. Please follow the directions at this site:
  - <https://support.google.com/accounts/answer/32050?co=GENIE.Platform%3DDesktop&hl=en>
- Make sure you are turning your Chromebook off at night as this will help.

## **HOOPER ATTENDANCE LINE 847-245-8198**

- Please be sure to call in absences to the attendance line before 9:00am. Leave your student's name, grade and reason for absence.
- Our goal this year is to ensure that every student attends school regularly even if it is virtually. Showing up for school has a huge impact on a student's academic success starting in kindergarten and continuing through high school. Even as children grow older and more independent, families play a key role in making sure students get to school safely every day and understand why attendance is so important for success in school and in life.

We realize some absences are unavoidable due to health problems or other circumstances. But, we also know that when students miss too much school, regardless of the reason, it can cause them to fall behind academically.

Absences can add up quickly. A child is chronically absent if he or she misses just two days every month. We don't want your child to fall behind in school and get discouraged. Please ensure that your child attends every live google meet and arrives on time.

Let us know how we can best support you and your children so that they can show up for the live google meets on time every day. We want your child to be successful in school! If you have any questions or need more information please contact your child's teacher, Mrs. Vinson, or Mr. Feldman.

### **PTO Info**

- See attached flyer for October Rock garden project. If any families need assistance with paint please email me.
- The PTO is looking to get a volunteer list together for several projects. Please send me your email address if you would like to be contacted.
- Spiritwear is in production. If you ordered, more info should be coming soon. Masks are in so if you ordered please pick up from Brooks-Allen in Lake Villa.

Thank you!

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If you have any other questions please feel free to contact your children(s) teacher, or the administration.

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