



# PIKEVILLE

## JUNIOR HIGH/HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Pikeville Panther Families,

With the closing of schools to in-person instruction for the remainder of the year, schools are having to make plans on how to conduct their regular end-of-year events by being creative or postponing them until a later time. This situation continues to change daily with no definite end in sight. We do not have all the answers at this time, but here is what we can communicate as of today:

- May 1<sup>st</sup> is National Senior Decision Day. We will launch our senior decision day video on **Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>**.
- AP test will continue as planned online starting **May 11<sup>th</sup>**. AP tests are optional. If you have registered to test and now do not want to test, you do nothing. If you registered to test and still would like to test, but are unsure of the process, contact the teacher of your AP class or Ms. Stewart.
- The last day of school for students is **Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**, and online instruction will continue through then.
- All work is due to teachers by **Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>**.
- The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual PHS ESPY's athletic awards show will be presented on the WPRG channel and Facebook page as well as streamed on Gearheart Communications on **Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>**, at 7:00 pm.
- Grades will be posted on **Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**.
- End of the Year Awards Show will be presented on our Facebook page on **Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 pm
- The Jr. & Sr. prom is unfortunately cancelled due to the CDC social distancing guidelines and recommendations.
- Senior Graduation Plans:
  - Plan #1 is to have an in-person graduation on **Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup>**, at 2:00 pm at Pikeville High School.
  - Plan #2 is to film a virtual graduation on **May 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>** in case we are not allowed to have an in-person graduation on July 26<sup>th</sup>. Regardless if we can have an in-person graduation, we will release this video as a keepsake on July 26<sup>th</sup>. We will let seniors know soon about the filming schedule for the virtual graduation.
- The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation and Dance will be scheduled the week we come back to in-person classes at PHS in the fall. We will have a graduation that evening and the dance immediately following. We will announce the date and time as soon as we know more details in late summer.
- Chromebooks, textbooks, calculators, library books, and any other items borrowed from PHS during online instruction need to be returned to the high school the week of **May 18<sup>th</sup> through May 22<sup>nd</sup>** from 9:00 am-3:00 pm.

These are indeed challenging times, but we fully understand the need to continue to use the suggested guidelines to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Please be assured that we are all trying to provide our students with the best end of school year possible. We understand the importance of these memorable events and will do everything in our capacity to make sure our students have these memories. However, safety will be our primary concern when scheduling these events. We will continue to follow up as these dates near. Have a great day and Go Panthers!

Sincerely,

*Jason Booher*