May 22, 2020

Dear KIPP Columbus Families:

As we enter into the last week of this school year, thank you for your continued partnership during this exceptionally unprecedented year. As we all plan for next school year, it is important to hear your ideas, questions, concerns, and more. I am sure the last thing you feel like doing is filling out a survey, but if you have a few minutes in the next week to share your thoughts, we would be so appreciative if you could fill out this survey. We will also be setting up family conversations throughout the summer as we collaborate to ensure that next year is safe and impactful for every KIPPster and family. - We hope you’ll be able to participate, and more details will be forthcoming!

To our seniors, and families of seniors -- extra congratulations and celebrations to you. 100% seniors in the Class of 2020 have been accepted to college, with now $7million+ in merit scholarships. We look forward to honoring our incredible students and families with a ‘drive- through’ ceremony at the end of this month, and will do all we can to make this milestone memorable and reflect the excellence our KIPPsters embody.

As school teams have been ‘adopting' our seniors over the last few weeks, it has been a special source of joy to see the celebrations unfold. Like this video for senior Tony or the electronic reading of “Oh the Places You’ll Go!”. Please be sure to check out our Facebook, and Instagram page in the coming week as we continue to highlight ways we are celebrating our founding class of high school graduates!

Additional Updates:

- **END OF YEAR CELEBRATIONS:** Below are the times and dates for our end of year celebrations. Be on the lookout for additional details from your school leader. Other celebrations and end of your details for the other grades are also forthcoming, but these “promotion celebrations” for K, 5th, 8th, and now our FIRST graduation celebration are specific milestones we highlight throughout our KIPPsters K-12 journey with us!

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- **SCHOOL REOPENING:** There have been many articles and news stories about what school reopening might look like. As I shared last week, there are so many unknowns, but what we do know is that it will be very different and we will continue to work together through this. We hope to receive more guidelines from the State in the coming weeks which would enable us to share a draft plan with you by the end of June to support your planning for the school-year
as well. We will continue to move as expeditiously and thoughtfully as new information is presented.

It is very likely that we will not be able to resume in a “traditional start/model,” and a hybrid model (certain groups of students coming on specific days of the week as well as remote/online learning opportunities happening as well). Again, if you have a few minutes to complete this survey we look forward to hearing your ideas and shaping our conversations based on this information as we continue planning.

- **COVID-19 TESTING SITE:** We are excited to announce that KIPP Columbus is now a COVID-19 testing site in partnership with The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center! Testing will occur Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday from 9am - 4pm and patients must call 614-366-6800 to register to take the test before arrival. (note: This will not interfere with food distribution).

- **DAYCARES OPENING IN OHIO:** Governor DeWine announced that Ohio’s child care providers may reopen on May 31st. To keep children, their families, and teachers safe, child care providers must operate under reduced ratios and follow strict cleaning and handwashing protocols. The KIPP Columbus ELC is currently planning to reopen on June 8th and additional information will be shared with those who have little KIPPsters in this program. Please check out this guide about childcare reopening and this parent guide to childcare.

- **TECHNOLOGY:** KIPPsters will be able to keep their computers over the summer, returning them next school year. Please fill out this form if your child’s computer is in need of repair, and our operations team will be in touch with next steps. Thank you for your patience and flexibility as we work through this.

- **STUDENT ITEM PICK UP:** If you have items (medication etc.) to pick up from KIPP Columbus for your KIPPster, please reach out to us at kippoffice@kippcolumbus.org (614-263-6137) and we will make arrangements and we will make arrangements to get these items to you.

- **FOOD DISTRIBUTION CHANGE:** KIPP will be distributing FREE meals from campus this **TUESDAY, May 26th from 7a-12p** and on **TUESDAYS** through the summer. We hope to see you, your friends, neighbors, family, and anyone else you know!

- **CONFIRMED DECISIONS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 19-20 SCHOOL YEAR/JUNE:**
  - Last Day for Students remains May 29th.
  - Graduation will be done in a physically distanced way on May 31st.
  - All schools will be creating/updating weekly (optional) learning opportunities for students throughout the summer. More to come regarding this as we get closer to June!
  - There will be a summer school session for high school students in need of credit recovery (June 1st - 19th) and a decision about the high school summer session #2 (July 13th - 31st) will be determined by the end of May.
  - End of year report cards for all students will be sent at the beginning of June.
  - June Summer Camps have been cancelled with a decision on July camps to be determined by the end of May.
  - Athletics will not begin practicing until at least July with a decision to come by the end of May.
  - The KIPP Campus remains closed through at least June 2nd.
- **KIPP COLUMBUS EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND:** As a reminder, this fund will be used to address critical needs (housing, food insecurity, transportation needs, etc.) of our KIPPsters and their families at this time and going forward. The needs in our community are significant, and this is one additional step to meeting those needs. If you are in need of some additional support at this time, please do not hesitate to reach out to our team here, and we will do all we can to connect you with resources.

- **REMOTE LEARNING:** Information will continue to be updated on our website, and through communication from your child(ren)’s teacher and school. Thank you for your continued partnership as we keep learning together!

In partnership,

Hannah D. Powell  
KIPP Columbus, Executive Director

(If there is anything we can do to support you throughout this time please email covid@kippcolumbus.org or fill out this form anytime.)