



# SECONDARY VIRTUAL CONNECTION

## Message from the Principal

Dear Virtual Families,

I hope everyone had a safe and relaxing spring break. With eight weeks left in the school year our focus shifts to getting students across the “finish line.” This has been a challenging year for students, parents, and teachers alike. It is important for students to stay engaged in their learning. As adults we need to continue to encourage and support a consistent schedule. If your child is struggling in class help them advocate with their teachers right away. It is important to not wait until the last few weeks to try and get assistance to improve grades.

During the spring, our middle and high school students will be taking several state and national exams. Cohort C students will test at their home schools. Please refer to the dates for planning purposes. Below are helpful links with information to help students prepare for these exams.

Middle school students will be taking the Forward Exam in April. Here is a link to sample questions to help your student familiarize themselves with the exam <https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/forward/sample-items> 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders will take the ACT Aspire exam. Students can find helpful information on the following site <https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/act-aspire/about-act-aspire.html>

Take Care!

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## UPCOMING DATES

- April 7 – Forward Exam 6<sup>th</sup> grade
- April 14 – Forward Exam 7<sup>th</sup> grade
- April 14 – ACT Aspire 9<sup>th</sup> grade
- April 21 – Forward Exam 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- April 21 – ACT Aspire 10<sup>th</sup> grade
- May 3 - 17 – Advanced Placement (AP) testing
- May 27 – Memorial graduation
- May 28 – North graduation
- June 3 – Last day for students



## SCHOOL LINKS

- <http://www.ecasd.us/DeLong->
- <https://www.ecasd.us/Northstar-Middle-School/>
- <https://www.ecasd.us/South-Middle-School/Home>
- <https://www.ecasd.us/Memorial-High-School/>
- <https://www.ecasd.us/North-High-School/Home>

## IMPORTANT CONTACTS & RESOURCES

- Virtual Learning Contacts: <https://www.ecasd.us/District/COVID-19/COVID-19-Virtual-Learning>
- Technology Support/Resources: <https://www.ecasd.us/District/COVID-19/Tech-Support-and-Resources>
- High School Student Services – Canvas page <https://ecasd.instructure.com/courses/34369>

## Schedule for Virtual Pick-up Materials

### **Delong Material Pick-Up:**

Cohort C students will be able to pick up materials on these dates: April 15, April 29, May 13 and May 27 from 7:00am to 4:30pm at door 1. Teachers will inform their students if they have materials to pick up. Items will be bagged and/or clearly marked with the student name in the door 1 lobby. Cohort C families may drop off library books and textbooks on material pick up days. These should be placed in the labeled bins.

### **Northstar Material Pick-Up:**

Cohort C students will be able to pick up materials on these dates: April 15, April 29, May 13 and May 27 from 7:00am to 4:30pm at door 1. Teachers will inform their students if they have materials to pick up. Items will be bagged and/or clearly marked with the student name on tables within the door 1 lobby. Cohort C families may drop off library books and textbooks on materials pick up days. These should be placed in the labeled bins.

### **South Material Pick-Up:**

Cohort C students will be able to pick up materials on these dates: April 15, April 29, May 13 and May 27 from 7:00am to 4:30pm at door 1. Teachers will inform their students if they have materials to pick up. Items will be bagged/or clearly marked with the student name in the attendance office. Cohort C families may drop off library books and textbooks on material pick up days. Place in labeled blue bin just inside the attendance office door.

### **Requesting Library Books at DeLong, Northstar, and South**

Cohort C students may request books to be picked up on scheduled pickup days: April 15, April 29, May 13 and May 27. See your school's library website for instructions. We are happy to send home up to 6 books for you to enjoy reading. Those are also the days to return books you have finished. Email Mrs. Nord at [mnord@ecasd.us](mailto:mnord@ecasd.us) with questions and happy reading!

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### **MHS:**

The next 100% Virtual/Cohort C pickup will be from 2-4PM on FRIDAY, April 16, be outside of door 15 (the main entrance/attendance office). Pull up to the door and someone will come out. Students should send requests no later than 12 noon on TUESDAY, April 13th to [kroffers@ecasd.us](mailto:kroffers@ecasd.us). Your teachers will post the title of any book, workbook, or other materials you need to pick up that week in Canvas. Nothing posted, nothing to pick up. You will only get a response if there's a question. Study Sync workbooks do not need an e-mail. Please pick up previous requests or they will be checked back in. See you next Friday!

### **NHS:**

The next 100% Virtual/Cohort C pickup will be from 2-4PM on FRIDAY, April 16 outside door #7, back of the school off of Mercury Avenue. Students should send requests no later than 12 noon on TUESDAY, April 13th, to [rbruchert@ecasd.us](mailto:rbruchert@ecasd.us). Your teachers will post the title of any book, workbook, or other materials you need to pick up that week in Canvas. Nothing posted, nothing to pick up. You will only get a response if there's a question. Study Sync workbooks do not need an e-mail. Please pick up previous requests or they will be checked back in. See you next Friday!

As the weather changes, so will the instructions for pickup.

## CELEBRATING THE CLASS of 2021

What do Kwik Trip, Studio 22 Salon, Dairy Queen, Broome and Crow, Papa John's and The Local Store all have in common? They are all one of close to 30 area businesses that want to congratulate our seniors on making it through this unprecedented year. Area businesses have come together from now until the end of May to offer specials and discounts for the graduating Class of 2021.

Students can stop by their home school's attendance office to have their senior ID's validated with a sticker and receive a list of business specials. Be sure to stop by between 7:30-3:00 as we look at fun ways of celebrating your success as you prepare to graduate!



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## Fully Virtual Option Available for Fall 2021

Many of our students and families in the Cohort C learning model have expressed a desire to continue with fully virtual learning beyond the current school year. If this is the case for you, we have good news to share!

Starting in fall 2021, there will be NO CAP on enrollment for our [Eau Claire Virtual School](#). As a result, any student who applies to ECVS before July 1 will be guaranteed enrollment in the school. ECVS is open to students who attend the Eau Claire Area School District, as well as those from throughout the Chippewa Valley and across the state.

ECVS was launched in fall 2019—before anyone had ever heard of COVID-19. It has been a big success, providing an innovative educational path that allows for the creative blend of opportunities to continually build the strengths of each learner. The school strives to provide high-quality, relevant, and enriching learning experiences to develop engaged, passionate learners who are confident in their abilities and able to retain and apply developed skills.

If you would like to learn more or complete an application for your student, please visit [www.ecasd.us/ecvs](http://www.ecasd.us/ecvs). You may also call the ECASD Enrollment Office at 715-852-3063 and request that an application be mailed to you.

We are excited to have the opportunity to expand ECVS and offer a fully virtual option for our students and families!

## ECASD SCHOOL MEALS

### Curbside Meal Pick-Up at Schools:

#### 8:30-10:00am Monday – Friday:

**Delong Middle School:** Enter from Moholt Drive. Door #7

**Northstar Middle School:** Staff parking lot. Near door #5

**South Middle School:** Enter Mitscher Ave. Door #7

**Memorial High School:** Keith Street. Door # 4

**North High School:** Main Parking Lot. Door #1, under the Huskie



#### 4:30-6:00pm Monday – Friday:

**Memorial High School:** Keith Street. Door # 4

### Meals on Yellow Wheels Monday - Friday

ECASD and Student Transit are excited to announce the Meals on Yellow Wheels Program is starting again effective Wednesday, September 16. Please see the estimated time and locations below where meals can be picked up. A Child aged 18 years or under, or a parent/guardian of one must pick up the bags, just like the to-go pick-up at the secondary schools. This program will continue to be free until June 30, 2021.

#### **Bus #1**

Sundet Park 10:50 -11:00 am **4703 Robin Rd.**

Hope Lutheran Church 11:10-11:20 am **2226 Eddy Ln**

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church 11:30-11:40 am **601 Fall St**

Spirit Lutheran Church 11:50 am-12:00 pm **1310 Main St**

#### **Bus #2**

Pablo Center 10:50-11:00 am **128 Graham Ave**

Boys and Girls Club 11:10-11:20 am **1005 Oxford Ave**

Peace Lutheran Church 11:30-11:40 am **501 E Fillmore Ave**

Prairie Park sub development 11:55 am-12:05 pm **Prairie Park Dr**

#### **Bus #3**

Sunset @ Fairmont 10:45-10:55 am **Corner of Sunset Dr and Fairmont Ave**

Indoor Sports Center 11:05-11:15 am **3456 Craig Rd**

Pine Edge Trailer Park 11:25-11:35 am **Mitchell Rd**

Mary Pl @ Renee Dr 11:50 am-12:00 pm **Corner of Mary Pl and Renee Dr.**