

April 28, 2020

Dear CFISD Community,

We continue to be proud of our students and staff as they have made many adjustments amid COVID-19. CFISD remains committed to addressing these challenges while keeping the best interest of all students a priority.

To help achieve that goal, we are providing the following updates on essential items impacting students in the coming months.

### **Marking Period 4 and Semester Average Guidelines**

CFISD's main priority continues to be supporting our students with their continued learning. Following the Texas Education Agency's charge to provide instructional continuity for students while monitoring and assessing progress, the district developed the 4<sup>th</sup> marking period grading expectations and calculations for the elementary yearly averages and secondary (spring) semester averages. Committees comprised of administrative staff and principals developed a plan that supports the following needs of students:

1. Students experiencing difficult situations due to the COVID-19 pandemic;
2. Students needing marking period 4 to earn credit for a course or subject;
3. Academically strong students who didn't perform their best on marking period 3 and were counting on marking period 4 to improve their grade (GPA); and
4. Students who we have not been able to reach and could be provided an opportunity to earn a passing grade for marking period 4 when they return in August.

Visit the [Learning at Home webpage](#) for a detailed description of grading guidelines for each grade level, including frequently asked questions. For any additional questions regarding grading or yearly/semester average calculations, please contact your campus.

### **Item retrieval / return**

We have received many questions from students and parents regarding the retrieval of personal items from schools, as well as the return of district property and technology. Each school has been asked to establish and communicate a schedule to accommodate these exchanges. Please stay tuned for information from your child's school.

### **Class of 2020**

CFISD will make every possible effort to celebrate our Class of 2020 seniors and honor the culmination of their 13-year academic career.

**Senior prom:** We understand that senior prom is a milestone moment for many students. Our high school principals have worked with our school leadership team to establish the following alternative prom dates for June:

- Friday, June 12 – Cypress Creek
- Saturday, June 13 – Langham Creek
- Tuesday, June 16 – Cypress Springs

- Wednesday, June 17 – Cypress Ranch
- Thursday, June 18 – Bridgeland
- Thursday, June 18 – Cypress Ridge
- Friday, June 19 – Cypress Park
- Saturday, June 20 – Cypress Woods
- Monday, June 22 – Cypress Falls
- Tuesday, June 23 – Cy-Fair
- Wednesday, June 24 – Cypress Lakes
- Thursday, June 25 – Jersey Village

Campus staff will provide details on times and locations.

**Graduations:** Due to the extension of state orders limiting large gatherings, the district is canceling the May graduation dates and establishing the following July dates and times at the Berry Center:

- Monday, July 6
  - 9 a.m. Langham Creek
  - 7 p.m. Cy-Fair
- Tuesday, July 7
  - 9 a.m. Cypress Creek
  - 7 p.m. Cypress Falls
- Wednesday, July 8
  - 9 a.m. Cypress Lakes
  - 7 p.m. Cypress Ranch
- Thursday, July 9
  - 9 a.m. Cypress Ridge
  - 7 p.m. Cypress Springs
- Friday, July 10
  - 9 a.m. Cypress Woods
  - 7 p.m. Jersey Village
- Saturday, July 11
  - 9 a.m. Cypress Park
  - 7 p.m. Bridgeland

As a contingency, the district has reserved Aug. 3-8 as alternative graduation dates at the Berry Center. The number of tickets per graduate will be based on state restrictions in place at the time of the ceremony. We will provide more details at a later date.

### **Summer school**

CFISD is in the process of developing summer school plans depending on the restrictions that are in place during the summer months. The district *will* have summer school, but more specific information regarding the schedule and instruction will be forthcoming.

Thank you for continuing to support your students and their educators as they navigate the uncertainties of this time.

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