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Good Afternoon DHS Community,

I believe that the cold mornings are behind us and we can truly get outside and enjoy the wonderful Spring weather. I truly hope that everyone can enjoy the Memorial Day weekend! Though many look at Memorial Day as the unofficial beginning of summer, let's not forget that Memorial Day, previously known as Decoration Day, is a day to remember the men and women who gave their lives to preserve our freedoms. The true meaning of this day should not be lost as we celebrate with picnics and family gatherings.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank three freshmen young ladies who took it upon themselves to honor our Class of 2020! Jillian Walker, along with her friends Zahra Eder and Aaliyah Hicks, adorned the fence on Hartford Road with a sentiment that the Delran High School community all share, "[We Love DHS Seniors 2020](#)." Thank you for being selfless and embodying what it means to truly be a Delran Bear!

To the parents who are organizing the Adopt-a-Senior, thank you as well. The stories I have heard have brought me to tears. As a non-Facebook user (Can you believe there is one?), I appreciate all that you have done to honor such a great group of individuals. I also wish to thank the parents who organized the Spirit Stick Campaign. Delran comes together when the going gets tough and I appreciate everything that people are doing to make sure that our Class of 2020 feels loved!

This week, I wish to communicate details about our annual awards ceremonies and the end-of-the-year return of books and materials procedures.

Unfortunately, our annual Academic Awards Evening was cancelled which is the ceremony where we honor the #1 Club inductees, students who attained the honor of Principal's Award (all A's throughout the first three marking periods), Senior Class Departmental Academic Awards as well as our annual Scholarship Night. After discussion with the Senior Student Leaders, it was decided that we would film the awards ceremonies and publish them for the entire community to view. We will also honor all students who earned the Seal of Biliteracy and new inductees to the Thespian Society and Quill and Scroll. We will also recognize all Senior award winners at our in-person graduation ceremony, provided that the executive orders are relaxed and we are able to congregate. I am working out the details with the videographer and my colleagues. As soon as it is completed, I will publish it in my communication with you.

The plan for the return of books and materials for all students has been solidified. At your prescribed time, we will collect any books or materials that your child has at home and will also return any personal belongings that were left in your child's hallway and gym locker and we will give each child their summer assignments for the 2020-2021 school year. I will be sending each family a list of what books, materials, or past fines your child owes to help facilitate a smoother process. If your child is an underclassman and has been supplied with a Chromebook or a calculator, he/she can hold onto the device until next September. It is imperative that everyone adhere to the

following schedule to ensure that the process goes smoothly and efficiently. Those students who do not arrive at their scheduled time will be turned away and asked to make an appointment to return their books and receive their belongings. If for some reason you know that you will be unable to make your scheduled time, please email Dr. Danielle Jones, Assistant Principal, at djones@delranschools.org so that alternate arrangements can be made. This must be done by Tuesday, June 2nd to ensure that we are able to accommodate everyone's schedule. Please be sure to supply a time that will work for you to return the materials if the given time does not.

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Since students will still have their computers, remote learning will continue through the end of the school year with the exception that only *one assignment* will be due during the final week of school. The teachers are aware and have planned meaningful lessons and activities that can be done on the computer.

I also have been getting reports from the Delran Police Department that some students are congregating in the parking lot and accessing the playing fields. Please understand that as long as the stay at home order is in place, the Delran High School grounds are off limits to all students. I appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

In closing, I wish to thank everyone for their support throughout this trying time. As you may have seen on ABC6, some of the teachers at DHS collaborated on a music video to reach out to the students and show them how much we miss them. [HERE](#) is that video in case you missed it to the 1980's hit anthem "What I Like About You."

If there is anything that I can do, please reach out to me at any time.

With Bear Pride and Spirit,
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