#### Principal's Report May 18, 2020

#### **Charter Goals**

**Goal #1** Show an annual increase in the percentage of graduates that are college and career ready as defined by the state.

**Goal #2** Show an annual increase in student participation in additional rigorous coursework through positive relationships, community building activities, family engagement, and student support.

**Goal #3** Show an annual decrease in the achievement gap for historically underachieving populations (SPED, ELL, socio-economically disadvantaged, and minority students).

## **Academics/School Update of Events**

#### **Senior Grades**

May 15, 2020, Senior grades were due according to the SCDE. Seniors that meet the graduation requirements as of this date will be included in the virtual graduation ceremony.

#### Underclassman Courses

May 22, 2020, The JICHS Leadership Team voted that virtual classes for underclassmen will end on this date. Teachers will work with individual students on content recovery and the close-out of the school year.

# Senior Parade May 17, 2020, at 12:30 pm

A parent of a senior, Angie Ducker, worked with the Town of James and Charleston County Police Department to organize a parade for our seniors on May 17, 2020, at 12:30 pm starting at JICHS. I would personally like to thank Ms. Ducker for planning this event for our seniors. Organizing a parade is no small undertaking. For this to work, everyone must adhere to social distancing rules and to the guidelines established by the Charleston County Police Department. Please read the attached memo from Ms. Ducker for directions and guidelines.

#### Yearbook Distribution

Yearbooks will be distributed in June. Shipping had been delayed due to the COVID-19 shutdown. More info will come out later. If you wish to purchase a yearbook, please visit <a href="www.jostensyearbooks.com">www.jostensyearbooks.com</a>. There are only a few left.

#### Senior Checkout May 18 & 19 (started today)

The schedule for senior checkout is below with the suggested last name breakdown of the senior class. There will be two arrival windows on each day. For safety reasons, please do your best to follow the suggested alphabetical breakdown. We will have various stations set-up to collect school items (textbooks, Chromebooks, etc.), distribute senior recognition items (graduation cords, NHS Graduation Stoles, etc.), clear student obligations/fees, and a photo option for seniors and their parent(s) or guardians. A stage will be set-up to resemble our typical graduation. Parents can take pictures of their graduates on stage with their cap and gown. All stations will be set-up outside with social distancing guidelines in place. Seniors may come alone or bring up to two parents or guardians. Seniors and parents are expected to stay together the entire time with only one

family per station at a time. More details regarding senior checkout will be emailed to seniors and their parents and posted on our school website and facebook page later this week.

#### May 18, 2020 - Seniors Last Names A-L

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

May 19, 2020 - Seniors Last Names M-Z

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

## **Virtual Senior Awards Night**

To give our scholarship donors the necessary time they need, the Senior Awards Night has been rescheduled for May 28, 2020, at 7:00 pm.

# In-Person Diploma Awarding Ceremony

CCSD is asking all high school principals to announce a plan and/or date for In-Person Diploma Ceremony by May 26, 2020. JICHS is targeting dates in late June.

## Underclassman Drop-off and Pick-up- Week of May 26, 2020

Underclassman drop-off and pick-up is scheduled for the week of May 26. This will be by a drive-by system that is set-up in the front of the school. We will designate a day for each grade. Staff will follow the district safety guidelines for the collection and distribution of materials.

## **Employees Soft Return to Work (CCSD and Mr. Edwards)**

We are following CCSD guidelines for a soft return to work. Starting on May 18, 2020, essential staff will be permitted to work. At this time, essential staff are administrators, select support staff members, and Maintenance. The building offices will be open from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm. No parents or students are allowed in the building without permission from an administrator. The state is allowing essential student and parent meetings such as special education meetings. All district guidelines must be followed.

During the last two weeks of their contracted year, teachers will be allowed to come to work on an A/B schedule or every other day. This will allow them to complete their grades and pack-up for the summer. Special accommodations will be made for teachers that are being relocated or displaced.

#### **Summer School**

Summer school for seniors is from May 27, 2020, through July 15, 2020. Summer for underclassmen is scheduled from June 3, 2020, through July 15, 2020. Due to the school closure and possible equity and access issues, we have decided not to charge any students for summer courses. The cost to the school is less than a few thousand dollars.

## **School Closure Long-Term Plans (CCSD)**

Just an FYI- The district has created a committee to work on medium and long-term plans should this pandemic continue through the summer and into the next school year. We are hopeful we can start the next school with relative normalcy, but they are planning for all scenarios.

**Enrollment Update** 

Grade	9th	10th	11th	12th	9-12
5/18/2020	377	395	368	345	1485
4/17/2020	377	395	368	347	1487
3/16/2020	377	396	368	347	1488
2/24/2020	376	397	372	349	1494
1/27/2020	390	398	372	350	1510
12/16/19	390	395	382	345	1512
11/18/19	389	395	383	344	1511
10/21/19	392	396	382	345	1515
9/23/19	392	398	385	348	1523
8/26/19	393	402	393	351	1539
6/10/19	401	397	366	332	1496
1/28/19	430	406	385	334	1555
8/20/18	436	422	406	337	1601
6/1/2018	430	412	342	370	1554

# **School Choice Update**

9th Grade - we offered 184

131 accepted

We have **20** on the waiting list.

10th Grade - we offered 28

18 accepted

11th Grade - we offered 16

7 accepted

## **20-21 Projected Enrollment**

9th	10th	11th	12th	Total
CRMS Rising 262 School Choice 138 Others 44 Early College 9TH GRADE TOTAL: 444	CRMS- 262 School Choice- 138 Others- 44 EC-	JICHS 384 Other 2 Early College 9 Clark 2 11TH GRADE TOTAL: 397	JICHS 366 Early College 2 12TH GRADE TOTAL: 368	1606

#### **Athletics and SCHSL**

Working in conjunction with Dr. Postlewait, Superintendents, our attorneys, and SCHSL, we received a written response from the SCHSL stating that it considers JICHS to be a part of CCSD and will be treated as such. That means all incoming freshmen from outside our attendance zone will be eligible to play immediately. This is an incredible win for students and parents in Charleston County. Parents of student-athletes are to use school choice as intended by CCSD

## **Technology Update**

The following are hardware recommendations for the 20-21 school year.

(1) To continue working towards a 1:1 classroom set of devices appropriate for the main curriculum in the classroom.

To that end:

- (A) We recommend the purchase of an additional 500 Chromebooks in two phases. Summer 2020 250 for Fall needs and a November 2020 250 for Spring needs (\$125-130 with carts)
- (B) We recommend the purchase of a set of 30 laptops for more intensive courses. (\$45K \$1500 per)
- (C) The media center is the intersection of all courses and offerings. The need for 35 modern desktops is essential for the needs across the curriculum. (\$70K Under \$2K each))
- (D) maintenance and repair needs to move upward to \$30k more devices = more service and repair
- (E) Projectors, presentation systems (\$50 K)
- (F) Teacher Station replacement including floating teachers (\$30K \$2k per)
- (2) With storm outages and age we will need to replace some of our backup power sources prices vary.
- (3) CTE not covered by Perkins or other funding sources
- (4) Special Ed assistive technology

#### **JICHS Board of Directors Meeting Dates**

**2019-20 Board of Directors-** 5:30 pm on the third Monday of the month.

8/26, 9/16, 10/21, 11/18, 12/16, 1/27, 2/24, 3/16, 4/20, 5/18, 6/15

**2019-20 Finance Committee-** *4:00 pm* on the second Monday of the month.

8/12, 9/9, 10/14, 11/11, 12/9, 1/13, 2/10, 3/9, **4/14 (Tuesday)**, 5/11, 6/8

#### **Calendar of Events**

5.28.2020 Virtual Senior Awards Night at 7:00 pm

6.8.2020 2020 JICHS Virtual Graduation 7:00 pm

6.8.2020 Last Day for Teachers

# **Executive Session (Personnel matters, Contract matters, Privacy of a student, and Legal Counsel)**

**Meeting Notes** 

Topic	Notes	Vote
SCHSL Update		