

## Message to Students

March 27, 2020

MCHS Students,

We are living in an unprecedented time right now. The COVID-19 Pandemic has resulted in lost time together, postponed events, and cancelling the start of spring activities. The hard part is that none of you asked for this or deserve for this to be impacting you or your school year the way it is. I am sure there are many of you out there with questions and we felt it was important for you to hear directly from us. As we continue to follow the guidance from the Iowa Department of Public Health and the Governor's Office, we want you to know that we care about you and will continue to make decisions that are in your best interest.

We would like to start by reassuring you we will get through this together. Your tests, grades, and credits are on hold right now as we focus first on everyone's health, safety, and well-being. The reality is this impacts all of us, students, parents, and staff, and we want to put our first efforts into taking steps to ensure each individual's well-being. Please know that when we do return to school, we are planning to be flexible and supportive. Courses will be modified for the time missed and teachers will be here to work with you. Students will not be penalized for the time we have missed from school.

To help address ongoing questions we have created a MCHS FAQ sheet. Please click on the link, [MCHS FAQ Sheet](#) and check in for updates prior to our return. The FAQ sheet is also posted on our district website.

We remain hopeful for our return on April 13 and are planning for a successful return and completion of the school year. Above all, we care about you, will be sure to celebrate the time we have, and will work to finish the year strong together.

Sincerely,

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