

ALKI WEEKLY UPDATE 4-30-21

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WHERE OUR LEGACY IS VALUING EVERY STUDENT

GREETING

Happy almost May Day! Given the year we have had, I still find it a bit mind boggling that it will be May 1st this weekend. In practical reality, we only have a month and a half left of school. 7 weeks. While we will be doing iReady assessments in May, I want to encourage students to finish as strong as they can. Fall teaching plans will be effected by the Covid learning loss this year and we want to have as accurate as possible information about where students are in their learning. Please join me on encouraging them to hang in there, finish strong and do their best for a bit longer.

COVID REMINDERS

So far, we have been pretty fortunate with Covid cases not really effecting school. That said, if we do come back to more days of in person learning and more students in the building, it will be very important to continue our vigilance around these big 4 steps:

1. If a student is showing symptoms of illness, please keep them home. If you have any doubt, or sick family members at home, please error on the side of caution and keep your child home.
2. Continue social distancing- 6 feet will still be expected outside our classrooms
3. Use hand sanitizer or wash hands frequently.
4. Wear a mask. Students are doing a great job with this.

4 DAY IN PERSON UPDATES AND REMINDERS

As far as we know, we are still on target to bring back more students to 4 day in person learning as of May 10th. Here again are some details:

1. We will use the same bell schedule we are currently using.
2. Wednesdays will still be set aside as non-in person attendance days so teachers can be available for remote learners.
3. All HYBRID 6th grade students have been invited back to 4 day in person learning. If your student is not going to attend 4 days per week, they will be in full remote.
4. HYBRID 7/8th students with risk factors have been invited back. If you have not done the survey yet, please take a few minutes to let us know if you are planning to have your child attend in person 4 days a week. If you did NOT receive an invitation, your child was not identified to return and will continue to come to school 2 days a week in their current cohort.
5. If you 7/8th grade child was not invited to come back 4 days per week, or you are currently fully remote and you want your child to return to school 4 days per week, please contact your grade level counselor. They can look at space availability to see if we can accommodate your student.
6. May 5th is set aside for teachers to prepare for more in person students. Most teachers will not be available for Zoom support on May 5th.
7. Start of day and end of day procedures for school will remain unchanged. Upon arrival, students will enter through the cafeteria to go through the thermal scanner and then on to their first period class.

8TH GRADE CELEBRATION INFO

The PTSA has been hard at work raising money and planning for a celebration for our 8th grade students at the end of the year. Click [here](#) for the flyer . If you have an 8th grade student, please make sure to review the flyer for more information regarding fund raising and the details of the celebration itself.

UPCOMING DATES:

- 5/5 Teacher in person learning prep-day—asynchronous learning
- 5/17 Progress reports available
- 5/27 PTSA General meeting 6:00
- 5/31 No School—Memorial Day
- 6/17 8th Grade Celebration—4:30—6:00 pm
- 6/18 Last day of school