

Friday, October 9, 2020 (EMAIL)

Good Evening Mashpee Community,

Congratulations to everyone--today marks the completion of 18 school days with our wonderful students. We are so grateful to our staff, students, families, and our town for working together and for following safety guidelines. We are communicating and collaborating well with a shared goal of keeping our students and staff healthy while also engaged in the best possible teaching and learning experiences. We acknowledge that we are still working through some technology and logistic challenges, and we thank everyone for the patience and flexibility demonstrated. We are very pleased with the instruction provided by our dedicated educators and with the engagement demonstrated by our students with their learning. This year cannot and will not be like any prior year. We have to let go of the past and find joy in our present. Together, we can make SY20-21 an outstanding year!

I know everyone is looking forward to our 3-day weekend, and we are hopeful that health and safety remain a high priority. Families are reminded to please continue to practice 6-foot social distancing when with individuals other than those who live in your household, to please wear your mask when around others, and to please wash your hands frequently.

I am including here the [link](#) that I sent out on Wednesday which contained a reminder about the daily wellness screening that all parents/guardians are expected to complete for each of their children prior to the start of each school day. Please do not send your children to school if they have symptoms shown on the attached. The linked document also includes upcoming events at each school.

There is no school on Monday, October 12--[Indigenous Peoples Day](#). Please click here for our [Land Acknowledgement Poster](#). Don't forget to use the QR code on the poster to listen to MMHS graduate Alyssa Harris read the text that appears on the poster.

Today our beloved [Paul Funk](#) was laid to rest. We are working on establishing the Paul A. Funk Memorial Scholarship to be awarded to a MMHS senior who is pursuing a degree education and/or accounting. More information will be coming soon about this endeavor.

Week of 10/13 - 10/16 (Tuesday - Friday):

FALCON Cohort students are in-person learners (Grades 4 - 12)

MASHPEE Cohort students are remote learners (Grades 4 - 12)

K - 3 students are in-person learners every day unless a student has chosen to be 100% remote. PreK students are in-person only.

Take care and be positive. Make sure those around you know how much you value and appreciate them. Life is precious.

Patty DeBoer

Superintendent

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It's GREAT to be in MASHPEE--A Connected Community