Greeting AOHS students and families! I hope that you all had a great Spring Break last week and have gotten back into the swing of things this week with extended learning. It seems that we are all getting used to our new situation in our own way and adjusting to life at home. Being a parent of two children, it has definitely been a struggle for me balancing work and family.

I wanted to start off this letter with some great news: Nadia Hussein, a junior in our Academy of Health Sciences, has been accepted to attend Governor’s School this summer! Please help me in congratulating Nadia on her acceptance to this prestigious opportunity. She was 1 of 6 students in Cabarrus County admitted to the program.
There are several announcements below that include both updates from our school as well as new guidelines concerning NAF-related requirements.

**Testing and Certifications**
It is official that there are NO high school EOC tests for year-long or spring classes. With that said, I highly encourage you all to continue with your learning because all of the knowledge you learn through virtual classes will benefit you at some point in your life (either on the job, in your next level classes, or in college). Any course that offered a credential will still be offering the opportunity to become certified in the future.

**Transportation Request**
All student returning to high school next year must complete a transportation request. We need everyone to fill out the form regardless of whether you will attend NCHS or West Cabarrus or if you will provide your own transportation. Please click on the link below to complete this form if you haven’t done so already:

2020-21 Bus Rider Form

**Virtual Learning Behavior Guidelines**
All students need to complete the form below ASAP in order to continue with live video conferencing. You should have received an email and Connect Ed or you can complete the form by clicking on the link below:

Virtual Classroom Behavior Agreement Form

**NAF Student Survey**
All NAF Academy students are asked to complete this survey for NAF. If you do, you will be entered to win a $25 Amazon gift card (40 prizes awarded throughout the NAF Network) and our Academy could win $200! If you haven’t registered your NAF account yet, you would just click on “Register” on the bottom right of the pop-up screen:

https://students.naftrack.org

**For AOHS Seniors Only**
As graduation is still up in the air, the only thing we know is that we will not be hosting a Senior Recognition Night as we have in the past. We don't know if there will be an actual graduation ceremony and if so, when it would be. But we still have to order cords and stoles weeks in advance for students if we want to have them for any potential ceremony. I have placed an order for our current graduating class and will have those available. The price for cords will be $5 and the price for embroidered stoles (NAFTrack Certified students only) will be $20. Students can only have either the cord or the stole. More information on payment will be coming in the next few weeks.

The UNC Department of Family Medicine will be offering a VIRTUAL summer academy this year to students slated to graduate this spring. Attached is the flier with a link to the website and application.
Important to note...through grant support and donations, participation for the 2020 FMSA is FREE for accepted students. However, students must apply by the June 1st deadline.

**Internships**
As our return to the school building is still up in the air, internships are also up in the air. At this time, we do not know if we will move forward with our annual Future Ready Lab or other types of internships. Several parents have already told me that their child will not be participating in their planned internship this summer. But there is some good news! NAF has announced the following guidelines will satisfy NAFTrack requirements through May 30th, 2021.

The suggested requirements are:

- 80+ hours
- Direct supervision by an accountable adult who is not the student’s teacher
- Paid, compensated, or volunteer
- Completion of the NAFTrack Internship Assessment by the student’s intern supervisor at the end of the internship

In summary, if a student completes an internship of 80+ hours paid or unpaid between the dates of April 15, 2020 and May 30, 2021, they will qualify for NAFTrack Certification. This is a big deal and a large shift from the regular 120 hours paid internship that was previously required.

If you have any questions about the shared information above, please feel free to reach out to Mr. Kim through email (peter.kim@cabarrus.k12.nc.us). In addition, I am also available for audio or video meetings by appointment. Please stay safe, take care of each other, and I hope to see you all in the near future.

Sincerely,

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