



Frequently Asked Questions - Important Info for Families & Staff  
(updated 6/2/2020)

- **Book Return**

- Book return for students in grades 9-11 will begin on Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> and conclude on Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup>. Information on the exact book drop-off date will be shared by your child's school administrator.

- **Campus closures**

- School campuses closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic on Tuesday, March 17 and remained closed through the remainder of the 2019-2020 school term. Families should *not* send their children to schools other than to pick up a grab-and-go meal.

- **Driver's Education**

- Behind-the-Wheel instruction cannot take place during the school closure. If /When that restriction is lifted, we will devise a plan for completing Behind-the-Wheel instructional hours for students.

- **Graduation Requirements & Ceremony**

- Graduation requirements have been modified for 2020 seniors due to the pandemic school closures. Parents of current senior students should have received direct communication with the details, and additional info can be found here: <https://www.isbe.net/Documents/Grad-Req.pdf>.
- **T.F. North** will hold a parade-like graduation event for our senior scholars on **Thursday, June 25, 2020**. Congratulations to our **Meteors Class of 2020!**
- **T.F. South** will hold a parade-like graduation event for our senior scholars on **Wednesday, June 24, 2020**. Congratulations to our **Rebels Class of 2020!**
- Caps and gowns that have already been ordered will be available for pick-up the week of June 8<sup>th</sup> – June 11<sup>th</sup>.

- **IEP Meetings**
  - Parents and families with pre-scheduled IEP meetings, during the closure, will be contacted directly via email.
- **Meals for students**
  - Free, healthy grab-and-go meals are available for all students. Our cafeteria staff are preparing meals for families to pick up at the cafeteria main entrances at T.F. North and T.F. South between 10:30 am and 12:30 pm, **Monday through Thursday**, during summer break. The cafeteria will **not** be open from **June 29<sup>th</sup> through July 2<sup>nd</sup>**.
  - “Meals on wheels” are no longer available at remote locations.
- **Office Hours**
  - District and school offices are open.
- **Online Registration**
  - Online registration for the 2020-2021 school year will be available in early July. Information regarding registration will be sent electronically to families and will be available on the District 215 website and social media platforms when registration opens.
- **Resources for Families in Need**
  - Students, families, and staff in need of food or assistance paying bills can visit <https://findhelp.org/>. The site also includes new programs designed in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- **SAT and State Testing**
  - The Department of Education has granted the state’s request to waive the SAT and state assessments for 2019-2020. Since this was a free college entrance exam for our juniors, College Board and the Illinois State Board of Education are exploring options for offering this in the Fall of 2020 to our current 11<sup>th</sup> graders. We will keep you informed of any additional information.

- **Student Fees & Fee Waivers**
  - Families can click here to pay fees online: [Online Fee Payment](#).
  - Senior fees of \$50 will be waived for all 2020 senior students/graduates.
  - Families may apply for fee waivers via the "Fee Waiver Application" link under the "Parents" section on their school's website, or click here: [Waiver Application](#).
- **Summer Camps**
  - Summer camps for 2020 have been cancelled.
- **Summer School & Senior VSA Summer Intersession**
  - Summer school courses and senior VSA courses will be offered via remote learning, and the cost per course will be reduced by 50 percent.
    - Summer school will run Monday-Thursday, from June 22 through July 14 (semester 1), and July 15 through August 6 (semester 2)
    - Summer school courses will now cost \$70 per course.
    - Senior VSA summer intersession will now cost \$50 per course.
- **Transcripts for 2020 senior students/graduates**
  - 2020 senior students/graduates who owe a balance will be able to request up to five official transcripts to be delivered directly to post-secondary institutions (e.g. colleges, universities, vocational schools, military). You may contact your school counselor for more information.
- **Updates**
  - If you have questions, please email [covid.closure@tfd215.org](mailto:covid.closure@tfd215.org). We will also continue to update our Frequently Asked Questions.
  - Parents and family members are encouraged to keep up with all District 215 news and updates by visiting [www.tfd215.org](http://www.tfd215.org), liking District 215 on [Facebook](#), and/or following @tfd215 on [Twitter](#). Parents, staff and community members, can also download the [District 215 mobile app](#) for instant notifications.