

TRUMBULL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Congratulations on this last day of the 2019-20 school year! Some final details are below.

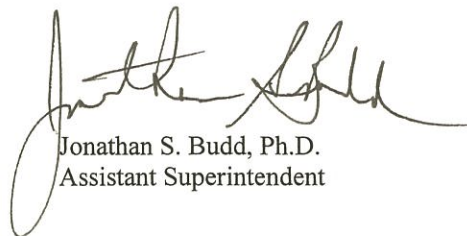
- To help evaluate our TPS distance learning this spring, we ask parents/guardians to complete this feedback survey. We ask that one parent complete this survey for each child in the Trumbull Public Schools. The survey will be active through the end of Friday, June 19.
- Several learning extension opportunities for the summer have been posted on our District website. All materials are maintained under the "Teaching & Learning" tab, then "Summer Enrichment." They can be accessed directly by clicking here.
- Final report cards for Grades PreK-5 students will be mailed from Long Hill on Friday, June 26.
- We could not be more proud of the work of our Food Services Department, led by Betty Sinko, in providing over 43,000 breakfast and lunch meals for our students during this extended school closure! The provision of these meals ends today.
- We have received some inquiries regarding our social studies curriculum, particularly at the elementary level. The Trumbull elementary school social studies curriculum has not been eliminated or reduced in time for next school year. In accordance with State statutes, the Board's curriculum for elementary social studies will continue to include citizenship, economics, geography, government, and history. The BOE's recent revision of Policy 6112.2 has not made any changes in this regard. Rather, it corrects an outdated time allocation for social studies, but specifically maintains that "social studies . . . will be taught regularly by the grades K-5 classroom teacher based on the curriculum guides approved by the Board of Education." The Board has endorsed initial revision of the elementary social studies curriculum this summer to embrace the *2015 Connecticut Social Studies Frameworks* and the *2010 Connecticut Core Standards*; the current curriculum predates both of those documents by several years. Any proposed revisions would come first to the BOE Curriculum Committee and then to the full BOE. We anticipate that the proposed revisions will meet, at minimum, the following goals: they will strengthen and expand social studies education; they will establish greater coherence across all six elementary schools; and they will be responsive to recent trends in advancing the ideals of the "democratic, diverse, and global society" referenced in our District mission statement.
- We are very proud to honor 28 retirees of the Trumbull Public Schools with a special video presentation that can be accessed by clicking here. Many thanks from us for the 628 years of wonderful service given by John Virag, Eileen Piquette, Rosalie Hauge, Sylvia Lemoine, Sheila Crow, Lisa Beers, Anne Tornillo, Kathy Yash, Rosalie Cisero, Lisa Ryan, Tom Piekarski, Georgette Pappas, Rich Mastroiani, Luann Donovan, Felicia Holohan, Dr. Jackie Blackmore, Julie Rogowski, Dr. Gary Cialfi, Val Hamann, Jen Gibson, Stephanie Domanick, Margaret Walsh, Emma Kravecs, Angela Caron, Polly Currie, Maureen Makres-Steinberg, Eugene Halliwell, & Kathleen Belmont.

Many congratulations to all students for all they have accomplished under very challenging circumstances . . . and special congratulations to our Trumbull High School Class of 2020 graduates! On behalf of all staff of the Trumbull Public Schools, thank you for a wonderful year.

Sincerely,



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