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Dr. Bertolini's Daily Message

To the Leonia School District Community,

The storms are gone; but yesterday the storms were very powerful and we had to decide what to do with distance learning if the teacher or students lost power. This problem was never an issue before but we are, as you are fully aware, in a different educational environment. The principals sent out a Remind to encourage students to continue to work on projects or assignments. Fortunately, the cooperation of both the student body and faculties from each of the three schools continued.

Last evening, coincidentally, I was in a Zoom meeting when I lost internet access in my home. Feeling frustrated, I thought the meeting was no longer accessible. Not too tech-savvy, I finally realized if I used a hotspot from my Iphone, I could get back into the meeting. It worked!!!! Chalk one up for becoming more technologically advanced!!!

I do have one concern that I want to address. A few students are not completing their work and may not be successful in earning credit for certain courses. Please be advised that you are responsible for meeting the class requirements. If you are struggling with distance learning, please contact your teacher, school counselor or CST member. Each of you wants to be successful. By meeting the demands of the class, your chances of success will exponentially increase.

Best wishes for Health, Safety, and Success,

Dr. Bertolini

Free Parent Webinar - [Addressing the Social and Emotional Well-Being of the Whole Family](#)

April 14, 2020; 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

NJSCA - New Jersey School Counselors Association - is very pleased to be collaborating with the New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association (NJPSA) and the New Jersey Parent Teachers Association (NJPTA) to be offering **a free webinar** on Tuesday, April 14th at 7:00 PM.

It is designed to offer suggestions and resources to help parents through the current crisis.

Please encourage your parents to register at:

[Addressing the Social and Emotional Well-Being of the Whole Family](#)

ACS Update 4-14-2020 from Dr. Martinez

Our amazing Library teachers have made some resources available to parents and students.

Please see the message from Mrs. Compel and Ms. Lewis:

Hi ACS:

We have redesigned our [library website](#) to be even more useful for you as we continue learning from home. We now have a [parent resource center](#) with literacy tips and tricks, [some maker challenges](#), and [videos of your teachers reading](#). Keep checking back as we'll continue adding new read alouds and challenges. This week, students in Pre-K through 2 will receive a read aloud link from their classroom teachers. We hope you will watch it and share your work with us! We will write back to every child who sends us a message.

We are so proud of all the reading and writing you're doing at home!

Sincerely, Ms. Lewis and Mrs. Compel

LMS Update 4-14-2020 from Mr. Saco

Reminder: The deadline for students to submit missing work for the 3rd marking period is this Friday, April 17, 2020. Assignments that were due prior to the beginning of Distance Learning on March 16, 2020 fall outside our guidelines for accepting late work (within 10 days of due date), and may not be scored for grading by our teachers. Because of the adjustment to this new learning environment and experience, we are extending additional flexibility when accepting student work that was assigned during our period of Distance Learning. If you have questions about your child's specific assignments, please contact their teacher.

Reminder: 3rd marking period report cards will become available for viewing in the Parent Portal on Thursday, April 23, 2020.

Today's Affirmations:

- ❖ *I AM CAPABLE OF SO MUCH.*
- ❖ *I CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.*
- ❖ *TODAY I CHOOSE TO BE CONFIDENT.*

Quote of the Day: *"Speak the truth. Speak it clearly. Speak it with compassion. Speak it with empathy for what folks are going through."* -President Barack Obama

LHS Update 4-14-2020 from Mr. Kalender

- Senior Scholarship information is available on the LHS Website. Seniors must complete the Google Form and attach their essay. The deadline for scholarships is Monday, April 20, 2020. If you need additional information or have any questions contact Ms. O'Neill at Jean.Oneill@leoniaschools.org
- Students have been calling LHS to inquire about obtaining working papers for summer employment. Students can email Mr. Kalender to receive a copy of the working papers. Students must then have the working papers completed in full, including doctor signature, parent signature, employer information and signature. Once they are complete students can contact Mr. Kalender to have them signed and completed. For forms or more information email Charles.Kalender@leoniaschools.org
- For more information and updates from LHS please join Remind by clicking the link: <https://www.remind.com/join/leoni> or Follow us on Twitter [@LeoniaPrincipal](https://twitter.com/LeoniaPrincipal) or [@LeoniaHSvp](https://twitter.com/LeoniaHSvp) or [@LeoniaAthletics](https://twitter.com/LeoniaAthletics)

Student Services Department Update 4-14-2020 from Ms. Stein

AP update : AP Exams 2020 Schedule

Exam Start Times:	Eastern Time: 12:00 p.m.	Eastern Time: 2:00 p.m.	Eastern Time: 4:00 p.m.
Mon, May 11			United States Government and Politics
Tues, May 12		Calculus AB Calculus BC	
Wed, May 13	Physics 2: Algebra-Based	English Literature and Composition	European History
Thurs, May 14		Chemistry	Physics 1: Algebra-Based
Fri, May 15		United States History	Computer Science A
Mon, May 18		Biology	Environmental Science
Tues, May 19	Music Theory	Psychology	
Wed, May 20		English Language and Composition	
Thurs, May 21	French Language and Culture		Macroeconomics
Fri, May 22		Statistics	Spanish Language and Culture

Tips for success on AP Online Exam

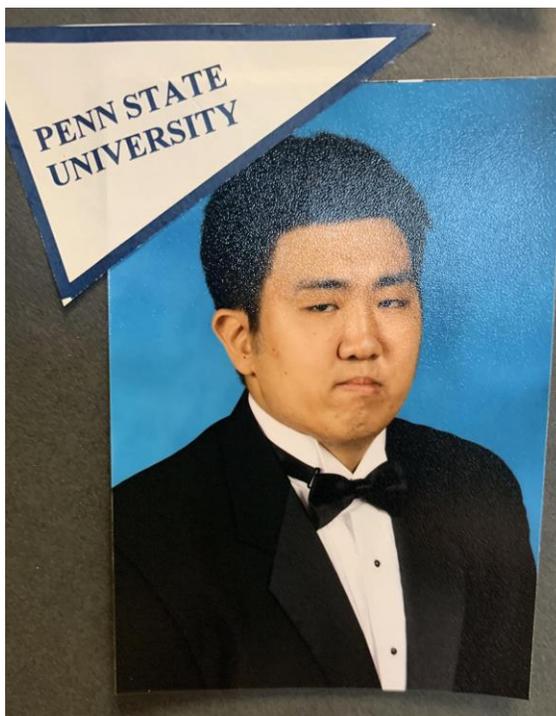
While you prepare your notes and resources before your AP Exams, keep these facts in mind.

- **Open book/open note exams are *not* easy.** Answering AP Exam questions takes more than copying information from notes. Finding facts, formulas, or other information in your notes is only one step to answering an exam question—you have to apply the information in order to complete the task.
- **You still need to prepare for the exam.** You should prepare for an open book/open note exam just as you would a traditional AP Exam. Having resources available may save you time in memorizing information; however, you still need to know how to apply the information efficiently and correctly. This takes preparation.
- **More materials aren't always better.** You'll need to answer multiple questions on your AP Exams and you'll have limited time to do so. The more time you spend looking for information, the less time you'll have to use it in writing your answer.
- **You should not copy responses from notes or resources.** We designed this year's AP Exams knowing you have access to your notes and resources, so the exam questions will ask you to apply concepts from your notes and resources in new ways. Copying what you have done in the past won't produce a satisfactory answer.
- **Your class notes are better than internet searches.** The internet can be an excellent source of data and facts, but it's also a source of misinformation, diverging opinions, and manipulated content. In the experience of our faculty, students taking open book/open note exams who try to find the answer on the internet often earn fewer points than students who use their time to apply their own learning to develop a logical response.
- **Collaborating with others is *not* considered acceptable open notes:** AP Exams give you an opportunity to show *your* mastery of a subject—not someone else's. It is strictly forbidden to give or receive aid during the exam. Any students found using the work of others, exchanging or sharing information on exam topics, collaborating via any online platform, or soliciting tips for problem-solving approaches will be investigated for violating exam security.

Course-Specific Exam Information – Follow the link below for specific information regarding each AP exam

<https://apcoronavirusupdates.collegeboard.org/educators/taking-the-exams/ap-exam-schedule>

Leonia High School College Decision Flag Ceremony



Congratulations to **Daniel Lim** on his commitment to **Penn State University**

Previous information from earlier updates can be found on the district's website front page. Click on

**COVID-19 and then choose a date to see that day's
daily update.**