

June 2020



Greetings Rolling Terrace Families,

As we close out this extraordinary year, I hope this finds you and your family safe and healthy. I am so grateful for our community and the warmth and care you all continue to show one another. You all have been so patient and supportive as we transition to a completely new way of teaching and learning, we truly appreciate your efforts at home. Your support of your child's learning has made a tremendous impact and we all want to thank you.

I would also like to thank and acknowledge our teachers and paraeducators. In a matter of days, they all had to learn new ways of teaching and learning in an online space, I am so proud of the hard work they have all done to support student learning. They have really embraced and adapted to this new learning environment and I want to be sure to acknowledge their hard work and dedication.

Finally, I want to acknowledge our Grade 5 students. They will not get the opportunity to go through the rites of passage associated with the end of their elementary school careers, and that must be so hard. You all have been such a delightful group of young women and men to get to grow and learn with. We do want to share that you will always have a place at Rolling Terrace and we look forward to celebrating with you in the future when it is safe!

As we close out this year, we have several logistics to share with you. Please feel free to call the main office or email an administrator or your teacher with any questions.

Student item retrieval

We are working to close out our classrooms this week and are collecting all student items from desks and cubbies to be returned. We will have an opportunity for families to come and pick up items **Thursday, June 18 and Friday, June 19 from 10 AM-12 PM in the bus loop**. These will be in bags and backpacks labeled with your child's name. You are welcome to have someone else pick up your child's belongings. We will be practicing social distancing, wearing masks and staying 6 ft. apart. Students do not need to be present to pick up their items, in fact it might be safer for them to remain at home.

If you do not want to pick up your student's items at this time, we will store them until our building is reopened.

At this time, the health room is only returning medications that are needed in emergencies (e.g. inhalers or Epipens) if requested. We will securely store these medications over the summer. Contact our school based nurse Megan Christopher at Megan.Christopher@mcpsmd.org with any questions.

Student items to return

If you come to pick up student materials, please be sure to bring the following to return to RTES:

- Instruments
- Patrol belts
- RT Media Center books

At this time you will **NOT** return Chromebooks and internet hotspots. Please hold on to those for participation in summer ELO as well as in case we are unable to return to the school in the Fall. Even Grade 5 students will hold on to their Chromebooks and internet hotspots.

Food Distribution

Beginning June 16, the time for food distribution will change to 10AM-12PM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday through June 30. We will be in touch with details about food distribution during the summer and ELO.

ELO/Summer School

We will be holding Extended Learning Opportunities (ELO) for all rising K-5 students online from July 13-August 7. The program will be a great way to continue learning reading, math, and science as well as have some fun! Registration is now open. The registration process will include confirming your child's attendance on a short Google form. To enroll your child, please visit: <https://bit.ly/ELOSAIL> Paper registration forms will also be available and information will be coming soon. Please call the main office if you need support with the registration process.

Have a wonderful summer,

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