# **UCEC Update**

April 27 - May 1, 2020

### April 27, 2020 - Principal's Message

I hope our students and families are staying well during this time. A lot has happened since the last newsletter was sent. I will summarize a few happenings below (topics are bolded in each paragraph):

On April 20, we **marked the beginning of remote learning that included new instruction** and learning materials. I want to say thank you to our students and families for engaging at such a high level in our remote learning opportunities. Students, we ask you to please continue to do that as we have a state-issued grading plan that UCPS will publish for our system schools that apply to grades 9-11 and non-graduating seniors (those *not* in the class of 2020).

Second, our **State Board of Education approved the grading plan** last Thursday, April 23, and UCPS will be distributing information about the grading plan for UCPS as soon as possible. We will send follow-up information as soon as we receive the published UCPS structure for the grading plan. (Just a reminder that the Class of 2020 grading plan was approved on March 27, 2020, and published and that plan is still applicable to our students who are slated to graduate in the Class of 2020. The April 23 plan applies to students *not* in the Class of 2020.)

In addition, Friday, April 24, 2020, North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper issued an executive order that *continued school closures due to COVID-19 health pandemic until the end of the school year*. For *Union County Early College (UCEC)*, *our school year 2019-2020 will conclude May 21 for all high school classes*.

As Union County Public Schools makes plans for all schools for the remainder of the school year, we remain committed to honor the accomplishments of all of our students and especially the Class of 2020. I know there are many continued questions about what the school closure means to many traditions that involve school in the lives of our students and families. One milestone event that students and families look forward to with great joy and anticipation is graduation. We continue to hold firm to the opportunity to celebrate graduation with the Class of 2020 and their friends and families. We are working on making plans, and we will certainly inform you of those opportunities as our adjustments are made.

This week, we continue remote learning and the new learning activities and new materials will be available on the same schedule as was published last week. Unless a need for change becomes apparent, we intend to maintain this new learning schedule for the remainder of the

year. This provides a consistent schedule you can depend on for your home. We will continue to reach out to the few students who may have needs that we are not aware of, but we appreciate being able to be in touch with the vast majority of students and families and to help where you have expressed the need for our support. Please know we are an email aware, and please do not hesitate to let us know if you need anything.

Included in this newsletter, as in all our newsletters, are just a couple of **additional resources** that you might find interesting and helpful as you engage in learning. We hope you enjoy these resources!

Again, I hope you are all well and safe. Our continued attention to the measures in our communities that we know are working will allow us to return to our school setting as we have known it in the past. I certainly miss seeing everyone, but I do understand and honor the opportunity to **support our health and well-being**. *Take care and have a GREAT week!* 

## Remote Learning Schedule - April 20 to May 21, 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
First Block (90mins)	Third Block (90mins)	First Block (90mins)	Third Block (90mins)	Office Hours (120 mins)
Second Block (90mins)	Fourth Block (90mins)	Second Block (90mins)	Fourth Block (90mins)	







Link for Technology Help

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LINK to This Week's PBS At-Home Learning Schedule of Offerings



#### PBS At Home Learning April 27-May 1.pdf

PBS is offering shows connected to grade-leveled content that may be helpful with at-home instruction and engagement. Enjoy!



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