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Dear Sunman-Dearborn Community Schools Parents:

Before I provide some important updates, I want to take a moment to thank each of you for your support during this difficult time. Around 95% of our students are actively participating in e-learning. I know this also requires parent participation. Thank you. Thank you for partnering with the schools and teachers to provide instruction for your student. This has been hard for all of us, and we know it has been hard for you as well. We are all eagerly looking forward to getting back to normal. Please remember, we are in this together. #InThisTogether

Please take a moment to review some important updates below.

#### **4th Quarter and 2nd Semester Grades**

Grades will be determined accordingly:

**K-5** - Students will not receive a 4th quarter grade. Report cards will still be sent at the end of the school year. Instead of grades, teachers will provide comments for each subject on specific skills and areas of focus for students to practice during the summer months.

**6-8** - Students 3rd quarter grade will be used for 2nd semester. Teachers can use the 4th quarter work to improve the 2nd semester grade, if the 3rd quarter grade was lower than the 4th quarter grade.

**9-12** - Similar to grades 6-8, students 3rd quarter grade will be used for 2nd semester. Teachers can use the 4th quarter work to improve the 2nd semester grade, if the 3rd quarter grade was lower than the 4th quarter grade. For grades 9-12, the 4th quarter grade (if used) will be weighted up to 20% of the 2nd semester grade. All semester finals are canceled.

#### **Student Personal Belongings**

We continue to work through the details of collecting and distributing student personal belongings. More information regarding this will be available in the next two weeks.

#### **Chromebook Return**

Except for our seniors, all students will keep the school issued Chromebook over the summer. Free resources for students to use will be provided for our students and parents in order to continue to focus on various skills.

**School Campuses**

Per Governor Holcomb's Executive Order, all school campuses are closed and all school activities are canceled through June 30th. According to the Back on Track Indiana document, "Resumption of K-12 activities to be determined" once we reach Stage 5 in early July.

**COVID-19 Webpage**

As a reminder, this letter and all other supporting documents and links can be found at the Sunman-Dearborn Community Schools COVID-19 webpage at:

<https://www.sunmandearborn.k12.in.us/information/covid-19>.

As always, please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew Jackson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "A".

Andrew Jackson  
Superintendent