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Dear Eighth Grade Middle School Families,

With the news from Governor Murphy that New Jersey schools will remain closed for the duration of the 2019-2020 school year, we have now turned our attention to planning for the end of the year. We are working diligently to maintain the spirit of celebration that coincides with the culmination of school. These seminal experiences will certainly look different to those in the past but we hope to preserve the excitement that goes along with them. Here are the emerging plans we have in place and some that are still in process:

<u>Field Day</u>: The Physical Education Department at both middle schools have planned events that will take place on the morning of June 12th! (This will be in lieu of classes for that day.) Your school will send out more information this week about what this will look like.

Eighth Grade Dance: We have secured a virtual DJ for the dance on the evening of June 12th! This will be a joint event for both Park and Terrill. We will live stream music starting at 7pm so you can have a dance party at home. We encourage students to FaceTime/Skype/Zoom friends during the dance to join in! The link to the dance will be emailed to students and parents on the day of the event.

Evening of Recognition: We will be conducting our Evening of Recognition night virtually on June 18th at 7pm. The event will feature key aspects such as our speeches and the presentation of

the class; it will "premier" live on YouTube. The link to EoR will be emailed to students and parents on the day of the event. If restrictions are eased over the summer, we will revisit having a smaller, in-person celebration where we distribute certificates. For now, though, we would like to celebrate the accomplishments of our Class of 2020 in case something over the summer is not possible. We will hold on to the students' recognition certificates until we know more.

<u>Eighth Grade Awards</u>: Our award ceremony will be live streamed on June 19th at 9am. The link to the live stream will be sent to all students and parents on that morning.

Locker Clean Out, Dropping Off Instructional Materials, and Medication Pick Up: We are beginning this process on June 1st. We will send out a notification regarding the procedures and a sign up on Friday, May 29, 2020 on/or about 12 noon.

We are continuing to make plans for the following events: the Clap Out, yearbook distribution, t-shirt distribution (for ones previously ordered), and instrument pick up/drop off. Please check our At Home Learning page on our website for these additional updates.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this time.

Best,

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