



VIA EMAIL

April 10, 2020

Hello PCS Families,

As we wrap up our first week of at-home learning, we want to express our appreciation to all of our students and families for your patience and perseverance as we've transitioned to utilizing our online learning platforms at home. Our teachers have loved connecting with our students this week, and it was great to see so many photos of our students working on lessons at home on social media! All of us are learning a lot, and we are committed to doing our best to make this a positive experience for all of you.

Please read on for several important updates as we move into next week.

Child Nutrition Program

Pelham City Schools will be distributing a 5-day supply of breakfast and lunch meals on Mondays from 10 am - 12 pm at Pelham Park Middle School. This program is available for children ages 18 or younger. The distribution will take place in the bus loop at the back of the school near the cafeteria.

IMPORTANT CHANGES:

Beginning Monday, April 13, eligible children will need to be in the vehicle with the adult who is picking up meals. Additionally, proof of Pelham residence will be required to pick up meals. Acceptable proofs of residence are a driver's license or utility bill with Pelham address.

To improve the flow of traffic and reduce personal contact, please have your proof of residence ready when you pull into the pick-up area and show it through the driver's side window (leave the window up). Remain in the vehicle, and meals will be placed in the trunk or back hatch area of vehicles.

FAQs

Updates to questions related to refunds for field trips and activities, the 5th Grade Washington DC trip, and lunch account balances have been added to the online FAQs document. Additionally, a separate document for Pelham High School FAQs has been linked to the [general FAQs](#). The FAQs are located on [COVID-19 page](#) on PelhamCitySchools.org.

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Registration for the 2020-2021 School Year

Returning student registration information for the 2020-2021 school year will be emailed to parents on Wednesday, April 15. The information will include a SnapCode which is unique for each student and different than the one used last year. Enter the 15-digit Student SnapCode to access the PowerSchool account and review and/or make any changes to the student information. A unique SnapCode should be entered for each returning student in the family to activate registration for the new school year. The deadline to complete online registration for returning students is Monday, May 11. More information is available on the [Returning Student Registration page](#) on the district website.

Kindergarten Registration will take place online from May 4 - May 22. More details about the registration process will be posted on the district website and social media by the end of April.

Technology Resources

Visit the [Technology Resources](#) page on PelhamCitySchools.org to access several helpful documents about Pelham City Schools' at-home learning and many of the online platforms and tools your student will be using. You'll find guides on Getting Started, Google Classroom, Scanning Documents on Your Phone, iReady, and Reading Horizons.

Our at-home learning lessons and assignments can be completed from most devices, including mobile phones. While some families may have to share their own devices, the online lessons and assignments take that into account and should not require long lengths of sustained time on any device. If you do not have access to the internet or any device for at-home learning, please contact your teacher or school principal.

Instructional Plan Overview

A [summary of the instructional plans](#) shared in the [Parent Guide to At-Home Learning](#) is located on the [At-Home Learning page](#) on PelhamCitySchools.org. Updates and other resources will be added to the page as necessary.

Even though we're all still adjusting to at-home learning, I hope we can all take a moment to appreciate the many things accomplished this week. Thank you for being our partners in your student's education and for making the best of the circumstances that are out of our control. Help us keep the lines of communication open by contacting your teachers or school principal if you have any questions or concerns.

Be safe & stay well,
Dr. Scott Coefield
Superintendent
Pelham City Schools