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Families,

Happy Indy 500 Weekend. I am hopeful that you were able to enjoy the pleasant weather that we have had over the past couple of days. We have a lot of updates this week, so please be sure to read through carefully! While most updates are included in the Falcon Flyer, I have included some of the updates in this e-mail as they are critical.

Falcon Flyer: Click on the link for this week's version of the [FALCON FLYER](#).

Early Release Schedule: This is a reminder that we have an early release schedule this upcoming Thursday, August, 27. The schedule for the day is included in the Falcon Flyer for your convenience. Additionally, please note that this Thursday, staff members will not be delivering live content. Instead, as we near the midway point of the first quarter, staff members will be providing students with an opportunity to complete late work. Staff members will also have an engaging lesson posted for students who do not have work to be made up. Lastly, there will be a schedule posted in Canvas for students to seek help in different subjects should they need it throughout the day. Understanding that the school board may elect to offer a Hybrid School Option in the near future, we want to be sure that our building is adequately prepared as the focus since the return of teachers has been providing a high quality virtual learning experience, not the physical space itself.

SEL Resources for Home: Below you will find 2 links that include SEL(Social & Emotional Learning) resources for home. Feel free to check these out if you are interested. These resources were prepared by our district coaches.

- [SEL @ Home: Week 1](#)
- [SEL @ Home: Week 2](#)

September Block Schedule & Template: Just as was done with the August schedule, I have created a document that students can utilize to organize their daily schedule. The schedule includes our schedule adjustments due to Labor Day on September 7. Please click [HERE](#) for the resource to access the organization tool. Please click [HERE](#) for a copy of the Labor Day Week revised schedule.

Library Book Rentals: Last week, our Media Specialist, Mrs. Glenda Ritz, put together resources for all students on the Media Center Canvas page that included information on how to rent a book from the school library. This upcoming Tuesday, August 25, is the first pick-up date. Each week, students can go onto Destiny to reserve a library book. So long as students reserve the book prior to 12:00pm on Monday, the book will be available for pick-up the following Tuesday! Book pick-up will take place at door 1 between the hours of 9:00am - 6:00pm. Students can pick-up their reserved books or return their books during this time. Please note that families will not be permitted into the building, but will be able to access the books outside of door 1.

Potential Hybrid Return (October 12): This Wednesday, August 26, the MSDWT School

Board will be voting on whether secondary schools will begin a Hybrid School Model starting October 12. In anticipation for the possibility that the board may say "yes", Northview administration has been working diligently to prepare re-opening guidelines to share with our families. These guidelines will be specific to safety and Northview to assist families in making a decision as to whether they will elect the Hybrid option or the fully virtual option. Should the board vote "yes", Northview will provide the re-opening guidelines no later than Friday, August 28. Using these guidelines, families will have until September 4 to select the Hybrid option or the Fully Virtual option. Additionally, should the board vote "yes", Northview will hold an informational webinar on September 1 to answer any safety questions that families still have, though it will be our intent to provide all guidance we have in the re-opening guidelines document.

Please note that Northview will not have specific information regarding exactly what the hybrid option will look like in regards to shifts that will need to take place with teachers, schedules, etc... as these decisions will need to be made once numbers are finalized for each learning method and discussions take place at the district level. Should this vote be "yes", we will be providing safety procedures for items including: entry, dismissal, lunch periods, transition periods, etc...

Teacher Updates RE: Math: Below you will find a couple of updates regarding our 2 positions that are transitioning due to staff changes.

- **7th Grade Math:** Mr. Olejnik's last day at Northview was this past Friday as he transitions to new opportunities. We are beyond excited to welcome Mrs. Shelby Haskett as his replacement. Mrs. Haskett has an abundance of experience at the Middle School level teaching math and will be a great addition to our staff. Due to the transition mid-year, Mrs. Haskett is finishing her 30 day hold and will be joining the staff as soon as she is released from her previous school district. In the interim, Mr. Scott Welden will be teaching the 7th grade course.
- **Honors Math:** Over the past week, Mr. Pieroni, the Math Department Chair at Northview Middle School, has taken on the responsibility of teaching the Honors level math courses. Mr. Pieroni will continue in this role until Mrs. Haskett joins the Northview staff. At that point, Mr. Welden will transition to co-teaching the honors courses with Mr. Pieroni for a week, and then Mr. Pieroni will transition back to his original position in the 7th grade while Mr. Welden takes over the Honors courses. We are beyond excited to have Mr. Welden joining us as the new Honors Math teacher as he comes to us with a very thorough math education. As we provide Mr. Welden with onboarding specific to Northview, it will be great to have him co-teach alongside Mr. Pieroni so that the students have the opportunity to meet their new teacher and get acclimated to him.

School Website: We've taken some time to ensure that the most useful resources on the school website are the most accessible. In addition to athletic events being updated on the calendar, please note that both the "Virtual Learning Resources" and "Northview Communication" options on the main page provide GREAT information and resources.

Thank you all in advance for your continued support and remember that "Today, like every day, is a great day to be a Falcon!"

Respectfully,

Steven Pelych

Principal - Northview

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