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Falcon Families,

I am hopeful everyone is enjoying the Fall weather! Below you will find updates for the upcoming week:

Falcon Flyer: Click on the link for this week's version of the Falcon Flyer! As a reminder, the Falcon Flyer includes critical information and reminders for Northview. Of special importance, our revised Thursday Schedule can be found on the first page. [Falcon Flyer](#)

Job Spark Reminder and Pick-Up Information: This Wednesday, our 8th grade students will get to participate in Job Spark, a program offered by Junior Achievement providing Middle School students access to a variety of career fields. Typically, this trip is held at the Indiana State Fairgrounds and students from schools around Marion County participate together. This year, the event will be held virtually. Please read the following message from our Job Spark Coordinator that includes specific details:

Hello 8th Grade Students and Families!

Next week, our 8th grade students will be participating in JA Job Spark: "Redefining Hands On."

Northview students will attend this experience virtually on Wednesday, September 23rd from 11:45AM-1:30PM. They will be let out of their first period classes a little bit early, and excused from their 2nd period classes in order to participate. In advisory both this week and next, students will complete a variety of lessons to prepare them for this awesome opportunity.

Each year, Job Spark provides our 8th graders with a variety of "swag" to use during the career fair. Despite being virtual this year, they have still provided us with a t-shirt, backpack and set of headphones for each student. They encourage all students to wear their t-shirts and use their headphones on the day of the event.

To make this possible, there will be a pick-up option for these materials on Monday, September 21st from 8-9AM and 4-5PM at Northview outside of Doors 5 and 6. Students and parents can remain in their vehicles and pull up to the sidewalk to receive your items.

Building PREP for Hybrid Learning: As you know, the School Board made the decision that students would have the option of returning to Hybrid learning on October 19 (though the first day with students in the building will be October 20), so long as positivity rates do not raise above 8%. As we prepare for the return of students, we are working diligently to ensure that we take all the necessary precautions to create the safest and most socially distanced environment that we can. Last month, we held a parent webinar to answer questions that parents had about our protocols and also released a 2 page document that highlighted some of

the precautions we would be putting in place. As we get closer to October 19, we will send out very detailed plans regarding the steps students, teachers, and parents will be asked to take to ensure our safest possible environment. Additionally, we will be sending out revised daily schedules (there will be a new bell schedule) and guidance for students who elected a fully virtual option. It is a priority of ours to ensure that our communication is clear and concise.

We also realize that many of our 6th graders have never been inside of Northview! We are currently working to put together a virtual tour of the building for our students that will not only highlight the spaces, but also highlight some of the changes that we've made to ensure social distancing! Additionally, while some students have elected to go fully virtual, we will also be utilizing time during Advisory to review safety expectations and procedures with students for the return of students.

As always, thank you for your support and remember that "Today, like every day, is a great day to be a Falcon!"

Respectfully,

Steven Pelych

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