

August 12, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians:

We hope you have been enjoying your summer and that everyone has been well. Enclosed you will find a copy of our school calendar and information regarding the start of the new school year. Additional forms for walker permission, the handbook, parent/guardian involvement, and internet safety/device agreements will be sent home with your child on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of school, August 31, 2020. Everyone in the program is required to complete these forms and return them with your child during the first week of school. **Students returning their completed forms will have their names entered into a drawing for a WalMart gift card during the first two weeks of school.** We will continue to offer individualized schedules for the students. Students will receive their schedules on the first day of school. Additional information regarding the general school day and transportation are included.

As we continue to navigate our way through the current circumstances surrounding COVID-19, there will be some additional measures in place to promote the safety and well-being of our students and faculty. These measures include, but are not limited to: allowing for social distancing in the classroom, the wearing of face masks by students and faculty, limited transitions between rooms, alternate breakfast and lunch arrangements, and the regulation of arrival and departure times for the school day. As required by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, we are developing a Health and Safety Plan that will be board approved and outline these precautions as well as procedures that will be implemented in the event of entering other phases of restrictions or potential exposures to the virus. As long as we are not mandated to close, students will attend as indicated on the school calendar. If you need to discuss additional options for your student, please contact one of our administrators.

We understand the challenges that this circumstance presents and recognize the need for all of our students, faculty, parents/guardians, and stakeholders to work collectively to follow guidelines and be successful in making this happen. We are looking forward to the opportunity to provide safe, quality education and services to our students this school year.

Sincerely,

Eric Guldin

Brooke Pierce

Nicole Myers

Tara Achtziger

CEO

Principal

Assistant Principal

Assistant Principal

Some additional information:

- There is no charge for breakfast or lunch, both are provided daily.
- Students need to arrive prior to classes beginning to allow time to eat breakfast.
- Homeroom begins at 7:40 a.m., classes start promptly at 7:50 a.m.
- Dismissal is at 2:20 p.m.
- Bussing is provided by local districts.

. Greater Latrobe students not assigned to a van will ride Senior High busses in the A.M. and get the transfer bus to the Charter School. At dismissal, the transfer bus will return students to the Senior High, where they will take the Senior High busses home. **\*Please contact your district of residence with questions regarding bus times, designated stops, and numbers.\***

**Please note that students are not to make or receive calls during the school day as any arrangements are to be made prior to the start of the school day.** Please feel free to contact the school with questions or concerns.

2020-2021 School Calendar enclosed.