

Dear Parents and Students,

COVID#14: May 10, 2020

This last week we were able to provide student personal property pick-up at the elementary and secondary buildings. A big thank-you to staff that volunteered to stuff bags, gather materials, or provide curbside pick-up. Please call the secondary, elementary or district office to set-up a time to pick-up items, if you were not able to last week.

May 22nd will mark the last day for voluntary schooling at Louisa-Muscatine. It is most beneficial to stay engaged with the online learning and paper pencil activities. Within the take home bags are the pencil and paper activities for elementary students for the remainder of the year. Through May 22, high school students have an opportunity to work on credit recovery from first semester and/or third quarter. Any student who failed classes first semester or third quarter may have credit recovery possibilities. If you have questions about this call the secondary office or email Mr. Parkhurst or Ms. Meierotto.

We have scheduled senior graduation for Sunday, June 28th, time to be determined. We have contracted services with an events company to provide L-M a covered outdoor stage, big screen projection, FM transmitter, streaming capabilities and a speaker system. They have also agreed that if things open-up sooner we may move up the graduation to another open date. This will give us the flexibility to provide a ceremony in an array of different ways, which will be dictated by the guidance provided to us in June. This Wednesday, May 13th, there will be a Virtual Senior Awards Ceremony. It will be posted at the originally scheduled time 6:30p.m. The link will be posted on our school webpage. Seniors remember to Zoom with Mr. Parhurst every Wednesday night at 9:00p.m. to keep informed.

The Louisa-Muscatine Board of Education reviewed a school calendar in March, prior to school closures. That calendar has next school year starting on August 24th. The governor is allowing schools to start earlier next fall due to the COVID-19 spring school closure. There are stipulations by the state in order to start early. L-M administration and the board will be considering the pros and cons of an earlier start during our May board meeting.

We have not been advised about summer sport possibilities as of yet. We will pass information on to you, when we have been notified.

We miss you, stay safe and Go Falcons!
Mike Van Sickle
Superintendent of Louisa-Muscatine Schools