



CLARENCE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Clarence High School Families,

We would like to thank you for all your patience during this extremely difficult time. Under the best circumstances, the notion of change is not easy; and the widespread societal changes we are experiencing now are unprecedented in any of our lifetimes.

Our faculty and administration have been diligently working to find creative ways to maintain continuity of instruction. Many teachers have already posted assignments using multiple online mediums such as Schoology, class websites, or manual paper packets. As this may be overwhelming for you and your student, there are a number of things that should be considered:

1. In the event that your student is struggling to complete their assignment immediately reach out to teachers. They will respond within a 24-hour window.
2. Your student will receive feedback on the work completed in a timely manner.
3. Teachers will be working with your students to provide them with multiple opportunities to be successful. Students that submit an assignment that does not meet the expectation will have multiple opportunities to resubmit the assignment.
4. The work assigned is not framed as though your student were in a classroom; however, it is anticipated that your student will spend an average of 25 minutes per class to complete academic work (this will be more for AP and College option courses).
5. Each teacher expects your student to give an honest effort and communicate any difficulties they have completing assignments.
6. Guidance counselors and psychologists are available to support students during this time.
7. The current guidance is that teachers should treat Regents courses as though an exam will be given at the end of the school year.
8. AP exams will be administered online through the College Board.
9. We will revisit the community service requirement when we reopen.

The best way to support your student is having them establish consistent communication with teachers and guidance counselors. We are not expecting parents to assume the role of a teacher or offer support that students receive in school. Our faculty is available to address all concerns and meet your students' academic needs.

Thank you,

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