

Greetings Falcon Families!

We hope that this message finds you well and wanted to share some important updates with you. Given the [Governor's decision](#) to keep schools closed through the end of April, we wanted to keep you up to date with how this will affect life at AC Flora. Please know that this is a rapidly changing situation, but we are working hard to make this as easy, efficient, and smooth as possible for our wonderful Falcon students and families. Below you will find some important information of which to take note:

NEW DISTRICT MEAL DISTRIBUTION PLAN: AC Flora and Richland One want you to know that there is an updated meal distribution plan that will begin on March 30th. In order to reduce the amount of times families have to travel to the school to pick up meals, **the district will begin, on March 30th, distributing a week's worth of meals on Mondays.** Please read about the important details of this plan, including how to [sign up](#) for meals, by [clicking here](#). For the remainder of this week, meals will still be available daily, as they have been, at AC Flora in the back of the school. Please note that the new distribution schedule will begin next Monday and that AC Flora will NOT be a designated meal distribution site going forward. An updated list of the meal distribution sites can be found at the link above. If you are able, please share this information with those who you feel may need it. **We want to make sure all of our Falcons have the assistance and support they need during this time.**

3RD QUARTER: We know that the 3rd Quarter is coming to end and this has/will cause some confusion and anxiety over grades. We are currently working with the district to finalize this process in our new eLearning environment. **For now, we ask that students complete assignments as usual and we will send an update on 3rd Quarter details once we have a finalized plan.** Also, please know that, while we are in uncharted territory in terms of instruction, learning, and grading, our goal is to always do what is best for our students. With things changing almost daily, we appreciate your patience, understanding, and flexibility as we seek to find the right solutions to this new normal.

TESTING: By now, you may have heard that there will be no End-Of-Course Testing this school year. In addition, there will be no IB Exams. AP Testing will follow an alternative format and students should contact their AP teacher directly (if they haven't already done so) about their specific AP course's adjusted test. In addition, we will update our school web site soon with details of how the AP Exam process will take place for Flora students.

EVENTS: With the news that schools will be closed through April 30th, we are looking closely at adjusting our events, including Prom and many other student activities, that were originally scheduled to occur between now and the end of April. **Please know that we greatly value these milestone events that occur this time of year, and our goal is to have these events continue in one way or another when we are able to return to school.** We do not currently have specifics on any changes, but we are actively assessing our calendar to determine the best options and solutions within our ever-changing schedule. We appreciate your patience as we work through this, and

please know that we are looking to update our Falcons as soon as possible with any new details. We hope to have these details to you soon as we know these events are extremely important to the high school experience for both students and parents.

COMMUNICATION: Please continue to check the AC Flora web site for ongoing updates and information. Our faculty and staff are accessible by email and our School Counselors and administrators remain available and ready to assist our students. If you know of anyone not receiving these updates from AC Flora, please have them email Abbi Dew, our Student Data Coordinator, at abbi.dew@richlandone.org to update their contact information.

Finally, we know this is a lot of information and that things are obviously moving quickly. We miss our students and we want to support them, even if it is through a computer screen, email, or phone call. We know that the uncertainty of this time can bring many questions, anxiety, and stress, but please know that your teachers, counselors, administrators, and support staff are committed to supporting you during this time. One of the greatest things about a high school is its sense of family, and we are proud to be a part of the Falcon Family--especially during this time of change. Please continue to let us know what we can do to help you!

Thanks and Go Falcons!

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