



# Tuesday Family Update

## March 17, 2021



### Coming Up and Going On

#### Admin Corner

Dear Harding Students and Families,

Planning for our April 14th return is moving very steadily, we are working hard on making sure all our students, the ones returning and continuing in virtual learning continue to receive the support they need to have a successful rest of the year.

This week our parent slides on the website will be updated with new information, be sure to check the slides at the end of this week for the most up to date information on our return to in-person and virtual learning options.

Remember, once students have registered for virtual learning, they may not return to in-person for the rest of the school year, but students who stay with in-person may register into virtual at any time.

Our next Parent Informational Session will be on the expectations for In-Person and Virtual Learning students. I hope you can join us on March 15th from 5:30-7pm. The zoom link to the meeting can be found on the next page also posted on our website and email out to all families.

Have a great week,

Your Harding Admin Team

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#### Course Registration for 21-22

- **Monday, March 15, 2021:** Students will receive Pre-Registration Information
- **Monday, March 22, 2021:** Students will complete the online course registration form

We are excited to start planning for next year and to help our students explore and select courses. During Advisory classes on Monday, March 15, and Wednesday, March 17, students in Grades 9-11 will receive information about Harding's many course offerings for the next school year. [This information can also be found on Harding's website.](#) Please take time during this week to review this information with your student and help them plan carefully.

## Course Registration for 21-22 Continued

While there will be multiple opportunities for students to learn about our exciting course offerings, we encourage students to make use of all of Harding's resources to help them plan. During distance learning, we strongly recommend that students connect with their current teachers about course options for next year. Students may reach out to their current teachers by email, phone, google meets, or during IPASS times. Additionally, Harding Counselors are available to help students with their overall academic plans. Students can schedule a [virtual meeting with their counselor here](#).



**You're Invited!**

Virtual Family Engagement Meeting

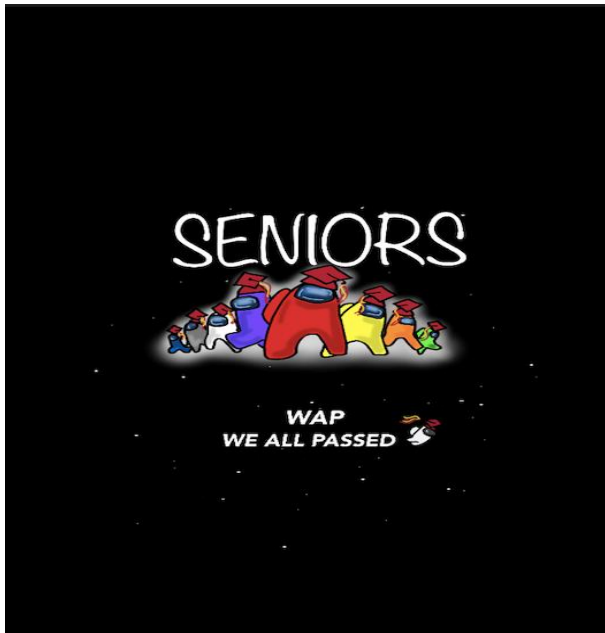
March 25, 2021

5:30-7:00pm

For English, Hmong, Spanish and Somali join  
<https://zoom.us/j/99635132603>

For Karen join <https://meet.google.com/igv-gfcd-kau>  
Join by phone: +1 205-286-9856  
PIN: 220 953 369#

Attention all seniors, click [here](#) to order your t-shirts today.



We could all use  
a little help during  
challenging times.

SPPS families and staff may call for brief phone support, referrals to community resources, or ongoing mental health services.



#### WHO PROVIDES THE SERVICES?

Services are provided by school-based mental health practitioners and professionals from community-based agencies.

#### HOW ARE THE SERVICES PROVIDED?

- Mental health services are currently provided virtually. In-person services will be available as schools transition to in-person learning.
- Brief support, referrals to community resources are provided over phone.

~A partnership between your Saint Paul Public School District, MN Department of Human services, and community-based agencies (Wilder, Metro Social Services, MN Community Care, Change Inc.).

Contact: (651) 262-5858 (M-F, 8AM-4PM)

Stephanie Nelson, MA, LMFT  
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in Ramsey County  
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### Harding Baseball

Greeting from the Harding Baseball Coaches.

The weather is getting nicer, and spring is on our minds. It's been a difficult 12 months and not being able to physically attend school, or be in social gatherings has added to our stress. However, joining the Harding Baseball Program would be a great opportunity to be part of the Harding community. On the team you will partake in social and physical activities that will create strong minds, healthy bodies and lifelong friendships.

If you have any interest at all, please email Coach Zamacona ([Mike.Zamacona@spps.org](mailto:Mike.Zamacona@spps.org)), or feel free to sign up, online, at: [Harding Athletics Spring Registration](#).

Sincerely,  
Coach Zamacona, Coach Grill and Coach Wright

**ACCESS for ELLs Testing**  
**Taking Place March 1 - April 1**

ACCESS for ELLs is a standardized test that measures students' academic English growth and proficiency in listening, reading, speaking and writing. If your child is currently identified as an EL student, he/she is required to take this test. This test provides important information for your child and Harding High School. The results of this assessment help Harding staff make sure that your student is receiving the language support he/she needs and placed in classes that are appropriate for him/her. This test also determines if your student is ready to exit the EL program.

Please note: the ACCESS test must be completed in person. This means your child will need to report to Harding on the dates we share with you to take the test. The test will take two afternoons to complete.

You have the right to refuse ACCESS testing for your student. ***If you do not want your child to take the ACCESS test this year, please contact one of the EL teachers below by email, text or phone call. Please include your child's name, grade, and their student ID number in the message.*** If you have already filled out and returned the letter that was sent to your home from the district, your response has already been recorded and you do not need to submit it again.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Parvi or Ms. Xiong.

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**Harding Yearbooks**

**ORDERING HARDING YEARBOOK**

- Go to [www.hardingyearbook.com](http://www.hardingyearbook.com)
- February 1st until April 9th at \$35.00 plus tax
- Personalize your book for \$5.00 extra
- **No Yearbooks sold after April 2nd and extra books will not be ordered**  
**(You will NOT get a book if you try to buy after this date no extra books can be ordered after this date as we can only order what we can pay for)**
- Online orders only
- Questions please email: [teresa.holmes@spps.org](mailto:teresa.holmes@spps.org)

**Spring Sports**

Spring Sports Registration is now open. Register online for: baseball, softball, boys' tennis, golf, track & field, badminton, or adapted bowling. Lacrosse is offered as a cooperative program at Central High School. Register online March 1st - March 16th. Visit our Harding Athletics Website for more information.

## Japan Trip

Are you interested in traveling to Japan? In June of 2022, Harding will once again be taking a group of students to Japan on a school trip! This trip will be open to all current 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students. To find out details about the travel locations, cost and payment options, and other information, we invite students and families to join us for a lunchtime information session on Wednesday, March 24, at 12:30 p.m. We will also be sharing details about how to sign up (space is limited!) and answer any questions you may have. Use the link to RSVP for the meeting!  
<https://rsvp.eftours.com/j9dm6pg>

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## Harding Senior High School Continuous Improvement Plan

2019-2021

At Harding, we are committed to challenging the mind and spirit of all who enter our school community. Our students prepare for life beyond high school with a six-year plan that sets goals for post-secondary education. Harding is a Title I school, and per U.S. Education Law, we provide extra help for students to learn and graduate on time. Additionally, we carefully plan and document how to meet these outcomes on our School Continuous Improvement Plan (SCIP - linked below):

Harding Families are encouraged to learn more and become involved in our SCIP Team. Please view the public-view document on the Harding HS website (link: <https://www.spps.org/Domain/16765> ) and/or reach out to Principal Vang at [be.vang@spps.org](mailto:be.vang@spps.org) or 651-744-2780.

## General Information

### Meals

Changes to curbside meal box pick up starting 3/8/2021. On 3/8/2021 curbside will be open Monday-Friday 7:30am-11:30am and on Wednesday open 3:30pm-5:30pm. If you need meal boxes, please pre-order on the Nutrition Services website. <https://www.spps.org/Domain/16201>

Until March 8th we will be open Monday-Friday 8am-3pm and Wednesdays 3pm-5:30pm.

### Contacting Harding High School

The Harding office phone number is 651-793-4700. When we are working remotely, the office staff will be checking voicemail daily. If you need to reach a teacher or staff member directly, please contact them through email. All staff emails addresses are: [firstname.lastname@spps.org](mailto:firstname.lastname@spps.org).

### ATTENDANCE:

Please remember to call the attendance hotline each day your student is absent from school. If your child is absent from school, it is necessary for a parent/guardian to call the **Attendance Hot line at 651-744-3063** or **email [megan.lee@spps.org](mailto:megan.lee@spps.org)**. Please leave the following information:

- Student name
- Student number
- Day and date(s) of absences
- Reason for the absence

### Technology Help:

Harding students can receive help daily with iPads, technology, and library service.

## iPad & Technology Help



### Meet with us!

<http://g.co/meet/hardinghelp>

- iPads
- Schoolology
- Login Problems
- Wifi Hotspots
- Google Apps
- And more!

<b>Ms. Dadabo</b> <a href="mailto:betsy.dadabo@spps.org">betsy.dadabo@spps.org</a> 8:30am - 9:30am 2:00pm - 4:00pm	<b>Mr. Matthes</b> <a href="mailto:richard.matthes@spps.org">richard.matthes@spps.org</a> 1:00pm - 3:00pm	<b>District Support</b> <a href="mailto:familysupport@spps.org">familysupport@spps.org</a> 651-603-4348 7am-4pm
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