

# East Haddam Public Schools

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Dear Families and Staff,

Thank you for all of your patience and cooperation in this unique time. Please find the information below as another installment of details as we move through this process.

Last night, the Board of Education made some bold decisions to move our district forward. I am writing to you to summarize these decisions.

First, the calendar was adjusted to reflect the following changes.

1. The last day of school for all students is June 16, 2020
2. The date of the graduation ceremony is June 17, 2020

Due to the recent Executive Order #7, by Governor Ned Lamont, these above dates will not change.

3. The adjusted calendar has also changed to reflect that April 13-17, 2020 are now school days and there is no longer an April break.

On March 23, 2020, the district will begin teaching classes through distance learning where students will study in their homes while teachers are planning and instructing remotely. This will look differently at the different grade levels and for different students with unique needs. Teachers are planning to use a wide variety of methods to change to this type of instruction. More information will come from your child's schools regarding scheduling and how this will look at each grade level.

Finally, all scheduled field trips and school events through the end of April have been canceled. The Board plans to review the rest of the years' events and trips at the regular April Board meeting.

There will be glitches as we start this new venture and I thank you in advance for your patience and understanding. We anticipate significant amounts of communication in the first days and will work to get your questions answered as timely as possible.

Sincerely,



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