



May 3, 2020

“True stability results when presumed order and presumed disorder are balanced. A truly stable system expects the unexpected, is prepared to be disrupted, waits to be transformed.”

— **Tom Robbins**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Though the school building remains closed for instruction, our faculty and staff continue working to meet the needs of our students. This week we celebrate our teachers for their commitment to our students and building a better future. Please send a note to your students’ teacher thanking them for the work they are doing to support, encourage, and share their experiences with your student. Daily our teachers give their best to our students and work through their own challenges. I am proud of our teachers. I ask that you let them know you appreciate the work they are doing to support and uplift our students.

We want all students to end this school year successfully by moving to the next grade. We cannot make that happen with your students’ doing their schoolwork and assignments. We ask that each student continues learning through the COVID-19 challenge. Engagement includes communicating regularly with teachers, counselors, and other school personnel. It is essential that each student complete work assigned and communicate with their teachers any challenges. The school year is almost over, and each student has proven success in the past, and they can continue that success as we close out the school year.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1N7aW2alktnj2x6QbuOZnEuOn-FSPzbG7/view>

Please ensure your student is actively engaged in learning with their teachers. Our desire is for all students to move to the next grade and graduate timely. This school year ends May 20, 2020, and final exams are May 14-20. It is imperative that students complete all work and frequently communicate with their teachers to ensure they have a successful school year. Successfully managing this school year requires constant and ongoing communication.

We have help for students, and our team of Social Workers and Counselors are available. Take the opportunity to reach out to Ms. Denise James (denise.james@ihsnola.org), 11^h & 12th-grade Counselor, Mr. Rufus McGee (rufus.mcgee@ihsnola.org), 9th & 10th-Grade Counselor, Ms. Rosara Ortiz-Riley (rosara.ortiz-riley@ihsnola.org), Social Worker, and Ms. Nykesha Kyle (nakeisha.kyle@ihsnola.org), Social Worker. They are available to help our students and their families.

Reminders:



- The Stay-at-Home Order extended through May 15, 2020
- May 14-20: Final Exams

US Census

Please complete the [Census](#). The [US Census](#) helps to ensure each community is appropriately represented.

Please remain home, be safe, and vigilant. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

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“Education must not simply teach work – it must teach life.”

W. E. B. Du Bois