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Dear U. City Schools Families:

I hope you all had a wonderful Spring Break and created some great memories with your children. Our calendar is filling up fast and I have several updates.

In-person attendance

It's exciting to have so many of our students attending in-person instruction four days a week. It's been so popular, we've handled considerable recent requests from parents of all-virtual students asking to switch to in-person learning, including a few that are pending. We are at the point where our staffing can no longer safely support additional in-person students while also maintaining at home virtual learning, which is an option we promised to maintain for many of our parents. We have decided to freeze attendance for in-person instruction for all schools through the end of the school year. We will not be adding more students for in-person instruction for this school year. We've tried very hard to maintain flexibility as part of our safe, gradual and kind plan regarding instruction during COVID-19. At this point, we feel it's important to finish out the school year with consistency for both our online and our in-person learners. Please keep in mind, this does not reflect in any way how attendance and learning will be conducted for the next 2021-22 school year. We will have more information for you on the next school year very soon.

McNair Administration Building entrance changes

We expect to close soon on the sale of the McNair Administration Building. District administrative offices will remain in the building into July. In the meantime, we have relocated all offices to the rear of the building. The main entrance to the building has also been relocated. To enter the building, all visitors should enter the main parking lot off Groby Road and follow signs to the upper parking lot where you will see signs for the entrance and nearby parking.

Following up on Growing Together: The UCity Schools Food Garden Network

Our students continue to amaze me. Under the mentorship of teacher Ann Cummings, about 20 UCHS students are organizing a community food gardening sustainability project. Please [check out their amazing website](#). **Registration is open** to all district families now through April 18 [to join the Network and order](#)

[free plantings](#) and other materials to grow veggies at home. Families without places to garden can even order student-made wooden planters to garden on a patio, balcony or windowsill. Anyone who wants to garden will have the chance to grow food!

Class of 2021 Graduation

I'm delighted to announce that University City High School's Graduation will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 24 in the school's outside stadium with a safe, physically distanced ceremony. All senior families and loved ones are welcome. Seniors will be celebrated in other ways as well during a senior week prior to graduation. A letter was sent earlier this week to seniors and their parents about the plans.

Key dates and events

- **Monday, April 5** - In-person instruction resumes
- **Tuesday, April 6** - No school, election day and staff professional development day.
- **Wednesday April 7** - Asynchronous learning day.
- **Wednesday April 7** - Zoom read-a-thon in honor of National Library Week. Check your Google classroom for details on how to participate. See the full description of daily events [here](#).
- **Thursday, April 8** - Registered juniors and seniors begin attending Distance Learning Hubs at the high school during regular school hours.
- **Thursday, April 8** (rescheduled) - Zoom with the Superintendent at 10 a.m. or 5 p.m. Note the change in the morning start time. [Click here to register](#).

I end with a reminder for you to vote in Tuesday's election. The act of voting is community in its most fundamental form. Please vote with your heart so our community can thrive. As always I can be reached at shardin@ucityschools.org or on my cell phone at 314-399-0941.

In Service of Our Children,

Sharonica Hardin-Bartley, Ph.D., PHR
Superintendent

Kindergarten Open House



UCHS AFJROTC Blood Drive



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