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MID-ATLANTIC DISTRICT
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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We appreciate your feedback on our weekly updates. Our goal remains to provide timely, comprehensive information about the continuity of education in our district. We are working with our Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) leadership and local commanders to provide the most up-to-date guidance and the way forward.

Updates:

- **Our district is continuing to provide digital learning** as part of our commitment to student achievement. DoDEA and installations are working jointly to provide a status update for digital learning in May. Any decisions made will be based on conditions and prioritize the health and safety of our students and employees.
- **DoDEA is still determining guidance** for end of the year course grading and school closeout procedures and operations as our schools are federally operated by the Department of Defense. We will share this information once approved.
- **We are continuing to share your feedback with DoDEA leadership in our weekly meetings** as we continuously improve our efforts and work to reduce uncertainty during this national pandemic.
- **DoDEA Decision Day is May 1.** Please join us by wearing your college/university, military, or career paraphernalia to celebrate our students' college and career accomplishments and ambitions. Decision Day is for all grades. Seniors should share their college or career plans. Students in grades K-7 should be participating in activities that encourage college and career awareness, while college and career exploration should be the focus in grades 8-11. Post your pictures/videos on your School Facebook or the DoDEA Mid-Atlantic District Facebook and use #DoDEADecisionDay.
- **DoDEA has a comprehensive, easy to use online career and academic planning resource for middle and high school students in grades 7th to 12th called DoDEA Choices360.** Parents are able to create an account too. For more information, visit <https://www.dodea.edu/choices360/>. For assistance, contact your local school counselors.
- **Community Superintendents, local command, high school principals, senior sponsors and senior class officers are working on a viable graduation proposal.** Each community is taking into account installation threat levels, CDC guidelines, and state executive orders. Graduations are scheduled for June 5 through June 13 in the Mid-Atlantic District. Updates will continue as we enter May.

We care about the health and safety of our community and will continue to do our part to support efforts to flatten the curve of the COVID-19 pandemic. Please follow the social distancing orders and recommendations provided by the Center for Disease Control, local and federal officials, and health care experts. Continue to check our website for updates: [dodea.edu/coronavirus.cfm](https://www.dodea.edu/coronavirus.cfm). We are here to support, so feel free to reach out to school administrations for additional assistance as we provide excellence in education.

Thanks for your support! #WeAreInThisTogether

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