



**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY
PACIFIC WEST DISTRICT
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT
UNIT 15006
APO AP 96271-5006**

May 15, 2020

Dear DoDEA Pacific West families and employees,

As you are aware, DoDEA Pacific West and U.S. Forces Korea have been closely monitoring local environmental conditions throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. The safety of our students and staff remains our top priority. After much consideration, USFK and DoDEA Pacific West have jointly decided to finish the 2019-20 school year in the virtual learning environment.

In addition, during the last two wweeks of the school year, each school will work together with their school planning team, community partners, and the installation commander to identify potential in-person end-of-year activities that might be possible to offer on an optional basis to students. Please know that safety measures related to preventing the spread of the COVID-19 virus will be practiced at all times during any of these optional activities and during closure procedures.

We will continue to provide online instruction to students through June 9th, with school closure procedures beginning June 1st. Families will receive school-specific closure information from their school principal detailing plans for closing out the school year, including turning in materials, picking up personal belongings, and updates on the status of any end-of-year events and activities. Please know that end-of-year procedures, events, and activities may look different at each school in Pacific West, with all decisions prioritizing the health and safety of students and staff.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding as we navigate through this historic time together.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "M. C. J.", written in a cursive style.

District Superintendent
Pacific West DoDEA