

Washington Technology Magnet School

Family Newsletter June 2020

Message from Principal Bonnicks

Greetings Washington Families,

I hope all is well with you and your loved ones. I hope that you are staying healthy and safe. As we come upon the close to the end of the school year, I am experiencing a myriad of thoughts and emotions at this time as you probably are as well. It has been quite the school year to say the least. I continue to reflect on the many incredible things that have happened this school year, I also continue to reflect on things that could have been better and how we (I) can continue to grow and improve. If you have suggestions or would like to become more involved at Washington please reach out to me.

A life of a Black male was lost. A story we hear far too often. He was a human being - he is loved, a friend, a son, a father- a life was lost. As humans, we sometimes fear what we do not understand. As a result, we seek truth that is often incomplete and lacks diversity of perspective and lived experiences. I often tell our youth; as leaders of tomorrow, arm yourselves with diverse brilliance - learn to thrive in a state of discomfort. Acquire knowledge and position yourself to transform your respective community with grace and strength. I am confident that our youth will step up in coming years and will be well-matched to the needs of the day. They are ready, willing, and able to be effective, innovative change agents.

On a final note I would like to invite all of you to celebrate the Washington Technology Magnet School Class of 2020! Graduation for the Class of 2020 will be Wednesday, June 3, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. You can access the virtual graduation ceremony livestream by clicking on this link: <https://bit.ly/2AZ1LcR>

Over the summer we will be sending you updates by email, if your email address changes please contact the school so that we can update it. Thank you for supporting your child and Washington Technology Magnet School. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call me at 612-280-1633.

In Partnership,
Principal Bonnicks

Grading Update for SPPS Students

Click on the link to find the SPPS grading adjustments for all students in third and fourth quarter due to the emergency response to the quick implementation of distance learning as part of our COVID-19 response plan. [Read more](#).

Summer Learning Opportunities

Washington Tech Library Team Update

The learning doesn't have to stop on June 9th! We've got plenty planned for summer!

[Click this link](#) to see summer learning opportunities with SPPS and our Saint Paul Public Libraries.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions. I'm only an email away!

(Kathleen.Kraemer@spps.org)

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Leadership Opportunities for Students

Families-please let your students know about this leadership opportunity

Looking for a positive way to take action? Join the Future Voter's Club! at Washington. Young people who vote are likely to become life-long voters. We also know that young people who have friends who vote are more likely to vote themselves.

We should all have a voice in choosing the best leaders for our time. We will work together to create a student organization to encourage people to vote and inform them how. Are you looking for a way to have a positive impact on your community? Amplify positive messages and do real work? This is it.

Interested? Contact Ms. Ganz at cathy.ganz@stpaul.k12.mn.us for your first task.

Important Links

Videos produced by the League of Women Voter's and Ramsey County

[Absentee Ballot Application](#)

[Paper Voter Registration](#)

[Online Voter Registration](#)

[MN Secretary of State's Office](#)

2020 Census Information

Have you been counted on the 2020 Census? Our community is best when we look out for each other and work together as one nation. The Census data determines resources for the schools and parks in our neighborhoods and the money that funds programs that keep families healthy and fed. Census

data also determines political representation in Congress and in our state. That's why SPPS is helping spread the message about the 2020 US Census and to help **make sure every child is counted**. To take the 2020 Census and make sure your family is counted, you can respond by [mail](#), [online](#), or by [phone](#) (844-330-2020).

[Census Information English](#)

[Census Information Hmong](#)

[Census Information Karen](#)

[Census Information Somali](#)

[Census Information Spanish](#)

Grade Level Newsletters

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Family Engagement

Do you have ideas or suggestions for Washington? If you would like to become more involved at Washington please contact:

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Contact Information

If you have questions, please call our school and leave a voicemail. We will get back to you as soon as possible.

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