

Griswold Public Schools

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Dear Students, Parents, Faculty and Staff & Griswold Community:

We continue to be grateful for the Griswold community spirit and mutual support during this public health care crisis. We deeply value all of the efforts of our residents, our employees, and our partners, as we persevere in navigating unfamiliar terrain. It is comforting to know that we are all in this together.

As community leaders, we remain committed to address the needs of the Town of Griswold. Once again, if there is anyone who is in need of food or has some other unmet need, please contact the Griswold Senior Center for guidance, support, and/or assistance. You may contact the center at 860-376-2064, or the Director of the Griswold Senior Center & Social Services, Tina Falck, at 860-884-5876. To respond to the influx of needs in the community, the Griswold Senior Center seeks donations of gift cards, in small denominations, from Walmart, Target, or Walgreens to offer non-food assistance.

As Griswold Public Schools shift to online teaching and learning, we encourage our students, families, and faculty and staff to assist one another in this transition. Our district website serves as the point of access for our continuous learning plans, communications, and other resources to keep all stakeholders engaged and informed. Our building administrators will send out relevant information, as it relates to an individual school and specific grade levels. For example, Griswold Elementary School will provide clear direction to families regarding PK tuition relief for the month of March. Griswold Middle School will convey guidance, in the upcoming weeks, regarding the completion of the very popular 8th grade EXPO project via distance learning. Griswold High School will offer direction, as the school moves from the third to the fourth quarter. In addition to reviewing the communications sent from our schools and district, we ask you to contact us should you need help. Know that we will continue with our Grab & Go lunch program next week, and we are exploring the possibility of establishing a satellite Grab & Go site--stay tuned.

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to challenge us all, each and every day. This is why it is so important to exercise caution and to communicate regularly with family and friends. We encourage you all to remain in good health and spirits, to enjoy the weekend, and to let us know if there is anything we can do to help.

Sincerely yours, Sincerely yours,

Sean P. McKenna, Todd Babbitt,

Superintendent of Schools First Selectman, Town of Griswold