

June 12, 2020

Dear Hyde-Addison ES Families,

Please see announcements and updates, below. The Hyde-Addison ES Team will identify and schedule dates for families to pick up items left in classrooms, when appropriate, as aligned to DCPS guidance. DCPS guidance is currently in development around the DCPS 2020-2021 School Year calendar. Please be sure to complete the enrollment process, to continue receiving Hyde-Addison ES updates over the summer. Communication will begin being disseminated to the new email distribution list, of enrolled families, within the coming weeks.

### **DCPS Updates**

#### **Students now have access to 1,000s of e-books and audiobooks through Sora OverDrive**

Get your child access to this great new resource, which lets them download popular e-books and audiobooks, available for Chromebooks, smart phones, computers, tablets, and even Kindles! It's like having the library available with the click of a button. Get started one of three ways:

1. Click on Sora on your child's Clever Dashboard OR
2. Visit <https://soraapp.com/library/dcpsdc> OR
3. Download the Sora App via the Apple or Google Play store

Check out the attached flier for step-by-step instructions for how to set your child up with Sora OverDrive.

### **Previous Updates**

#### **Enrollment for SY20-21**

DCPS is excited to open enrollment for School Year 2020-2021 to our families and welcome new students to our community. **This year, we are launching an electronic submission process for SY20-21 enrollment**, and the enrollment packet can be found **here**. My School DC has also extended the deadline for families to claim their matched seat until **Monday, June 15 at 5:00 pm**.

For more detailed information on changes in enrollment, please see our [Frequently Asked Questions](#). As always, we are ready and eager to support you with any enrollment questions you may have, especially if you need help with the new electronic submission process. Please don't hesitate to [contact your school](#) or the DCPS Enrollment Team at [enroll@k12.dc.gov](mailto:enroll@k12.dc.gov) or (202) 478-5738.

#### **School Library Book Return**

Please hold on to the books that your children checked out from the school library until further

notice. If you are not planning to return to DCPS for next school year, please contact Ms. Schutte at [angela.schutte@k12.dc.gov](mailto:angela.schutte@k12.dc.gov) so that we can determine a safe way for you to return books on a case by case basis. Thank you.

### **Summer Enrichment Programs Go Online**

From June 22 to July 24, DCPS will provide virtual summer programming for students in grades K-12. Enrichment offerings for elementary and middle school students will focus on literacy, science, math, and social studies, while high school courses will focus on credit recovery, and there will be English Learner programming for students. Extended School Year (ESY) services will be available to eligible students. ESY services will include special education and related services outlined in the ESY section of eligible students' IEPs. Additionally, Career Ready Internships will continue in a virtual environment. More information will be posted at [dcps.dc.gov/summer](https://dcps.dc.gov/summer).

We also anticipate offering an in-person "summer bridge" program in August should health conditions allow. This option would be hosted at every DCPS school and available to all students in grades 3, 6, and 9, with a focus on an enrichment curriculum. More information on staff opportunities for the summer bridge program is forthcoming.

Free grab-and-go meal service will also continue at school locations citywide throughout the summer. Please note, however, student meals and grocery distribution will not take place this Monday on Memorial Day.

### **Summer Reading Challenge 2020**

Watch this short video about summer challenge from your Georgetown public librarians: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1bzCAidOX9yXmgda8S2P4FYWv CmdHra2/preview>

Summer reading with the DC Public Library begins June 1st and goes through August 31st. There are programs and prizes for all ages, birth through adult, making it a great activity for the whole family! Sign up for an online account at [dclibrary.org/summer](https://dclibrary.org/summer) challenge and then log 20 minutes of reading at least 10 days each month to win.

Additional information:

- [DCPL Summer Challenge website](#)
- [How to browse and borrow DCPL books online](#)
- [How to get help from a DCPL librarian online](#)

### **Updated Technology Access Resources**

DME's commercial connectivity resource one pager has been updated and is [available on its website](#). It notes the following:

- Xfinity hotspots will now be open until June 30, 2020.
- Comcast Internet Essentials extended their application deadlines for 2 months of free internet and waiving of outstanding debt qualification to June 30, 2020.
- T-Mobile similarly extended benefits for customers through June 30, 2020:

- All current T-Mobile plans with data will be granted free unlimited data until June 30, 2020
- T-Mobile is working with its Lifeline partners to provide customers up to 5GB per month of extra free data through June 30, 2020
- T-Mobile is increasing the data allowance for free to schools and students using the EmpowerED program to ensure each participant has access to at least 20GB of data per month through June 30, 2020

<b><u>Resource Links</u></b>
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**Race and Equity Resources:**

1. [DCPS Parent University: Talking About Race With Your Child \(PART 1\)](#)
2. [DCPS Parent University: Talking About Race With Your Child \(PART 2\)](#)
3. [Parent University Resource List](#)
4. [Article: "What do we tell our children?"](#)
5. [Courageous Conversation™](#)
6. [DC Public Library Reading Recommendations on Race & Privilege](#)

**FAQ for DCPS Families** – updated April 29

**Public Toolkit from DC Health**

**Internet Access for Students**

**DCPS Information Hub on Coronavirus**

Please keep you and your loved ones safe. Continue to follow the guidance of Mayor Bowser and DC Health. For resources and information about the District of Columbia Government’s coronavirus (COVID-19) response and recovery efforts, please visit [coronavirus.dc.gov](https://coronavirus.dc.gov).

For copies of previous Hyde-Addison ES announcements and updates, please visit the Hyde-Addison ES website at <https://www.hydeaddisondc.org>. You may also like and follow Hyde-Addison ES on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/hydeaddison/>, for related resources.

Kindest Regards,

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