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August 24, 2020



**Dear SLA Parents and Students:**



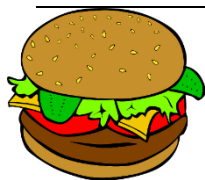
Just two more weeks of online instruction and you will be at Southwest Leadership, in-person, for this next school year. In the meantime, those of you doing on-line work are doing great and we are very proud of you. Let's make the 20/21 one of which we can be proud!

You still need to sign into class this week to be counted as enrolled and attending school. If you just wait until September 8<sup>th</sup> to start school, you will have to re-enroll and your lack of attendance will penalize the school from getting state funds to operate. So, two things happen, you are not getting the education you need and want, and the school is not getting funds to provide services when you do return. The teachers you will have for each course are providing instruction and they are also present at school to give you support by phone, email, or text. Please be sure the school has your up to date cell phone and home phone numbers as well as your email.

Group home and special education students are being accommodated instructionally at school. Students who cannot work online from home may also come to school and work in the computer lab but in all cases, students who do come to school must have a signed waiver and wear a facial covering before entering the school. The liability waiver that must be signed is again enclosed in this newsletter in both English and Spanish.

Breakfast and lunch will still be available at the school for all students at school or who stop by to grab their meals.

**The current plan is to return to in-person instruction on Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>.**



**LUNCH AND BREAKFAST ARE STILL AVAILABLE** – Each day the cafeteria prepares both lunch and breakfast which you can pick up and take home. We want you to stay healthy and fit so feel free to stop by.

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**WASH HANDS FREQUENTLY- USE HAND SANITIZERS IN THE CLASSROOM OFTEN, SOCIAL DISTANCE AS BEST YOU CAN – WEAR YOUR MASK – COVER YOUR SNEEZE - DON'T TOUCH YOUR FACE – CHANGE YOUR CLOTHES WHEN YOU GET HOME – RESPECT YOUR HEALTH AND THAT OF TEACHERS AND CLASSMATES.**

**COVID WAIVER** – To make returning your signed waiver easier, we have enclosed a self-addressed, postage-paid envelope for you to send it back to us as soon as possible. All students coming into the school are required to provide a liability waiver signed by your parent or guardian. If students choose to come to school to do their online instruction or if group home or special education students come to school for instruction, please be certain to bring the COVID Waiver enclosed signed by your parent or authorized guardian. This is important and you will not be able to enter school without the waiver and a mask. A mask with a filter will also be provided to you at the school. Students who come to school will be able to hookup their Chromebooks through the school’s Internet and be given a quiet location to do their work, practicing social distancing. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.



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**WANT ALL THE LATEST NEWS ABOUT WHAT’S GOING ON AT SLA?**

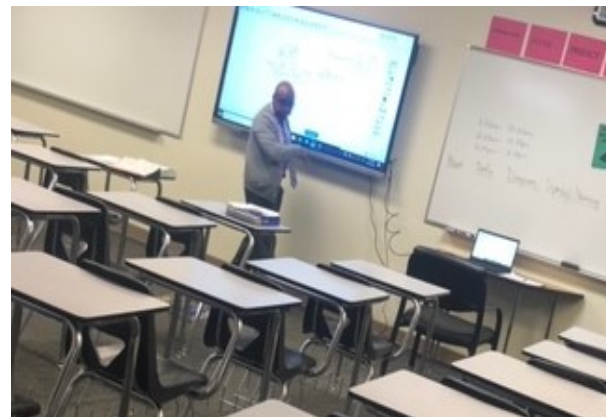


The latest information about school opening, events, schedules, sports, SLA’s distance learning plan, COVID 19 precautions, and Safe Reopening Plan can all be found on our website- [southwestleadershipacademy.com](http://southwestleadershipacademy.com). Look under “News”. Also, please be sure the school has your home phone number and email, the student’s personal cell phone number and individual email so we can communicate with you.

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**IT MIGHT LOOK THAT MR. CONNOR IS TEACHING TO AN EMPTY CLASSROOM BUT HE IS REALLY TUTORING STUDENTS MILES AWAY AT THEIR HOMES.**

After class this past week, a couple of SLA students emailed Mr. Connor to see if he could help them with the mathematics, he taught that day; they needed some help. Of course, just as we do during the regular school year, Mr. Connor said sure and with his new Boxlight board, he tutored those students as if they were right there. Everything he said and everything he wrote on the board appeared on the student’s Chromebook at home. It was like they were there, and the tutoring was great. Most classrooms at SLA now have Boxlight boards.



**BARBERING CLASS FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IS IN SESSION NOW!**



**IMPORTANT**

Start doing your on-line work and be ready to return to in-person school in 15 school days. Do not lose your place at the school by not logging into your Chromebooks or your class time.