

## Dear Parents/Guardians,

While we completed the 2019-20 school year in a way no one could have predicted, one thing stayed the same: the number of successes we, as a school district, experienced. Clarksville Middle School became an A-rated building, making all of our buildings an A or B, our athletic programs and extracurriculars had a surge of success, renovations across the campus, many of which are still underway, made this an even better place for our students to learn, a record number of students earned an associate degree in conjunction with their diploma, and multiple individual students rose above the typical school day and represented themselves and Clarksville Schools in the highest fashion.

We also celebrate the response of our families, teachers, and staff to the unexpected closure due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Everyone worked together to make sure that there was minimal disruption to our students' education. Although we were alone, we learned exactly how strong we are when we work together. Simply put, we are better together.

Looking forward to the 2020/21 school year, we are excited to bring our students back onto campus in a safe and responsible manner and get back to succeeding as a district. With this in mind, our full reopening plan is linked below. While we are hopeful that everyone chooses to come back to Clarksville Community Schools in person, we are proud to offer Indiana Gateway Digital Academy as an option for those families who feel safer during these times with an all-online education. Students and families who choose to enroll in this school will remain enrolled on a semester by semester basis.

On that note, I would like to take this opportunity to share with you some important information about the next school year. Please take a few minutes to read the information below and feel free to reach out should you have any questions or concerns.

# **Reopening Plan**

Our reopening plan was approved by the Clarksville Community Schools Board of Trustees Tuesday, July 7th. This plan was developed by the leadership team in conjunction with the Clark County Health Department and the Indiana Department of Education, among others. Please note that this plan remains fluid and may need to be amended or adjusted at a future date based on any additional guidelines from the CDC and Clark County Health Department. A one-sheeter is available <a href="here">here</a>. You can find the plan in its entirety <a href="here">here</a>.

# Registration

We have a record number of students registering early this year and hope to keep this trend going. Registering early allows us to prepare for the school year ahead and keep in touch with you in the months leading up to the start of the school year.

If you would like to return to campus in-person and have not done so, please register your student(s) NOW by logging in to your Campus Portal account and clicking on the "Online Registration" link or by going to our website at <a href="www.clarksvilleschools.org">www.clarksvilleschools.org</a>, and clicking on the "Enroll Now '20-21" link at the top of the page. Instructions for registering your student, setting up a Campus Portal account, and recovering your Campus Portal credentials can also be found on that page.

If you would like to enroll in our online option, please go <u>here</u> to fill out an interest form. For more information, please see this list of frequently asked questions.

All returning students need to be registered by July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please let us know if you have any questions or need assistance with the registration process and we will be happy to assist. If you have a unique circumstance where neither option best suits your student's needs, please reach out to your building principal and we will work diligently to accommodate those needs.

#### Free Meals

For the third consecutive year, we will be offering free breakfast and lunch for every student every day for the 2020-2021 school year. We continue to ask that you encourage your student(s) to eat breakfast and lunch every day as proper nutrition is essential to learning.

# **Technology**

While we are proud of the diligent work that was done to ensure our families had access to student devices during the shutdown, we are working harder than ever to increase accessibility. With this being said, each student will be individually assigned a device for their exclusive use both in class and at home for the entire school year. This will help guarantee that, should we have to shut down again due to COVID-19, all students will be adequately prepared to transition to eLearning without missing a step.

## 2020-2021 School Start and End Times

The 2020-21 start/dismissal and bus route times for all CCSC Schools are as follows:

	Bus Drop Off	Doors Open	First Bell	Dismiss Bell	Bus Routes
Renaissance Academy	7:30 a.m.	7:30 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	2:40 p.m.	6:50 a.m 7:25 a.m. 2:50 p.m 3:15 p.m.
Clarksville High	7:30 a.m.	7:30 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	2:43 p.m.	6:50 a.m 7:25 a.m. 2:50 p.m.– 3:15 p.m.
Clarksville Middle	7:30 a.m.	7:30 a.m.	7:50 a.m.	2:45 p.m.	6:50 a.m 7:25 a.m. 2:50 p.m 3:15 p.m.
Clarksville Elementary	7:50 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	8:20 a.m.	3:05 p.m.	7:30 a.m 7:50 a.m. 3:20 p.m 3:50 p.m.

## 2020-2021 School Calendar

You can find our 2020-21 calendar on this <u>page</u>. As you will notice, the first student day will be Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup>. Also, like this past school year, we will have a one-week fall break and a one-week spring break.

In closing, I would like to say thank you for once again choosing Clarksville Community Schools for your student(s) educational journey. We have missed our students and families terribly and are more committed than ever to making this the best year yet.

Best Regards,

Tina Bennett Superintendent

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