Durand-Arkansaw School District Plan for End of the Year and start of Next Year from District Administrator Greg Doverspike 4/30/2020 – 3:45 p.m.

As a district, we completely understand the uncertainty of the summer and what will possibly happen in the Fall of 2020. The plan that we are presenting is all subject to change based on orders coming from the state or federal government related to group sizes and school closures.

When looking at our plan for the rest of this year and next year we considered a variety of factors. There are different options that districts are pursuing to best meet the needs of their individual district. The plan we have developed is based on what the administrative team and school board feel is in the best interest of the students, families, and staff of the district.

We realize that it may be the middle of the summer before things start to approach what will be the new normal. With that in mind, we have made the decision not to attempt to hold instructional days during the early part of August. We want to allow families to have family time, take a vacation, help the economy start the recovery process, and allow our students to work some over the summer. In addition, there is still uncertainty about whether we will be able to do anything besides virtual education in early August. We will reclaim the days over the entire 2020-2021 school year and into next summer.

Durand-Arkansaw School District plan is as follows:

2019-2020 School Year:

- May 15 Final day for Seniors
- May 22 Final day of new instruction for Pre K-11
- May 26-June 3 Opportunity for students to complete any missing work and close out the school year. Staff will be sending out information for individual or small group session(s) as they relate to students in need of some additional assistance. That information will be coming out as we get closer to the end of the school year. Staff will also be providing information related to virtual field trip opportunities. The final piece we will be sending out once it is finalized is a plan related to returning textbooks, Chromebooks, etc.
- June 4-5 Staff will be finalizing grades and preparing work for those students who need additional assistance. Students who do not earn a passing grade by June 3 will be given an incomplete. Students will have an opportunity to make-up the work over the summer or during the in-person Targeted Summer School in August. Failure to attend and do the necessary work during this time will result in the grade reverting to a failing grade.
- June 30 Final day of School meals offered and distributed
- August 3-14 Targeted Summer School for students Pre K-11. Bus routes will run as normal and breakfast/lunch will be served. School times will be from 8:00-12:00 with Early Bird offered for Elementary students. Summer school will focus on those students who need additional assistance in Math and Reading/English Language Arts. In early June, administration and staff will be contacting those students who qualify for targeted summer school. If we are unable to meet for in-person Targeted Summer School, we will distribute additional information related to options for virtual summer school.

2020-2021 School Year:

August 25 - Open House

August 27 - First Orientation Day as listed on the 2020-2021 School Calendar sent earlier this year

September 1 - First day of School

The rest of the calendar will stay the same.

If a student is not able to attend the Targeted Summer School, we will be offering an Extended School Day in the fall. This will be done in conjunction with Tee Time, with additional staff and structure provided. More details will follow when available.