

CGCSC Coffee Chat Thursday, April 9, 2020

#	Question	Asker Name	Answer(s)
1	Our 8th graders are wondering when they will return their iPad and retrieve belongings from their lockers. Is there a plan to "platoon" students into the buildings to clear lockers?	Andrew Dills	live answered
2	Has the DOE and/or Governor Halcomb expressed any concern about the start of next year's school year?	Anonymous Attendee	live answered
3	Good morning - I noticed that Prom has been canceled. Is it possible to choose a tentative alternative time for this also, maybe mid-late summer? Seniors are missing so many milestones already...it would be great to allow them this opportunity to actually spend time with their friends before they move on. The kids that I have spoken with would even meet at the Hall of Excellence. That way a venue wouldn't be a problem. Thank you	Tracy Reeves	live answered
4	What is the graduation decision that will be made by the first week in May then as per Dr. Henderson's e-mail? Maybe a new date as many other schools have announced?	Valerie Fanter	live answered
5	I understand that teachers need to prep and understand why eLearning is 3 days per week. Why stop school May 15? These kids are then missing out on this teaching/learning.	Kerri Fischer	live answered
6	I understand the stress level, but having school give these kids the normalcy that keeps them grounded.	Kerri Fischer	live answered
7	Are we taking a "wait and see" approach to having a live graduation? Or do you feel like you have to make a decision by the original graduation date? I personally would be willing to have a later graduation in hopes of it being live.	Lori Gavorski	Dr. Henderson shared with parents via email that they are hoping to make a decision in early May.
8	My kids are able to see their friends when they have eLearning. This helps them get through this stress.	Kerri Fischer	That's awesome! I am glad your students are able to maintain some of those critical social connections!
9	Can you touch on the options for the free and reduced parents and students.	Joe Hubbard	Center Grove is partnering with the IMPACT Center at Mount Pleasant Christian Church, 381 N Bluff Rd, Greenwood, to provide food assistance to our Center Grove families in need. The CGCSC Food Service Department has purchased raw ground beef, peanut butter, applesauce, yogurt, cereal, chips, fresh produce, and strawberry cups that will be donated to the IMPACT Center and made available to our families. Here are the details: WHAT: Food Assistance for Center Grove Families WHERE: IMPACT Center at Mount Pleasant Christian Church 381 N Bluff Rd, Greenwood - southeast corner of the church lot WHEN: Registration times: Thursdays, 9:15-9:40 a.m. and 6:15-6:40 p.m.; Saturdays, 9:15-9:40 a.m. Please bring a valid ID to show proof of residency in Johnson County.
10	Are teachers encouraged to contact their students? FaceTime or other Avenue. Speaks to mental health.	Jack Russell	live answered
11	Can we reschedule graduation for the seniors? They deserve a celebration	Micheal Stancombe	We are disappointed that our Seniors had to miss out on so many of those meaningful Senior memories. We are working on a decision regarding rescheduling graduation and/or holding a virtual graduation.
12	Can someone confirm HS 3rd weeks grades will be accounted for in the students final gpa?	Anonymous Attendee	live answered

13	Are there discussions at the state level to allow schools to go to pass/fail? Indiana University is allowing students to choose to take a grade or take a pass/fail. If a student is in an ACP course, how can they go about having it a pass/fail at the college level if the state won't allow it at the high school level?	Jason Cooley	Quarter 4 (and Semester 2) will be Pass/Fail for Grades K-8. By law, in the State of Indiana, every transcribed High School Credit must have a letter grade associated with it.	
14	Do we pay our book fees online?	Yolunda McDonald	Yes, you can pay online.	Yes, you can pay online within Skyward.
15	Please confirm if daily e-learning activities are required to be completed on that specific day? My student seems to have a technology issues and grew frustrated quickly. Teacher wasn't helpful.	Anonymous Attendee	eLearning assignment and activities are not required to be completed that specific day. All completed work will be taken whenever it is turned in.	
16	Per the email from Dr. Henderson concerning credits, it sounds that students 9-11 and any middle schoolers will be receiving their HS credits as long as they remain engaged and complete any papers, projects, etc that their teacher assigns. Am I understanding this correctly? Thanks	Emily Montgomery	live answered	
17	I am aware of the state law. I'm asking if there are discussions to change that and asking how to make the change at the college level.	Jason Cooley	live answered	
18	I do not see the poll	Kerri Fischer	live answered	
19	Can a student raise their grade from what their 3rd quarter grade was?	Kerry Thatcher	Yes, high school students can raise their grade.	
20	Early August would be better than late July for graduation. MANY people will try to take vacations throughout July prior to starting school in August, both public school and colleges. Please consider early August such as August 2 or August 9.	Jason Johnson	Thanks, Jason! We will keep that in mind.	
21	Grateful. Placement, merit and scholarships for seniors depend on those final gpas.	Anonymous Attendee	We recognize the importance, too, and wanted to make sure students weren't negatively impacted by this situation which none of us can control.	
22	Will this situation affect credits for EC dual credit courses?	Kelly Wilson	Dual Credit College Courses will follow the grading requirements established by the college/university issuing the credit.	
23	My son would like to know how honors placement will be determined for next year given the changes that have occurred?	Anonymous Attendee	Honors placement will be similar to past years. Most of the data used is from 1st semester or test data that we already have. Students will learn about their honors placement from school this spring.	
24	Live graduation would be more important no matter the date or month.	Anonymous Attendee	live answered	
25	Half of our neighborhood doesn't have WiFi this morning due to storm last night....how do you recommend dealing with this? Just communicate with teachers, etc?	Anonymous Attendee	live answered	
26	Summer school. I have an incoming freshman who is enrolled in Keystone for this summer. Any ideas what that will look like?	Leigh Mitchell	CGHS will continue Global Campus Summer School as originally scheduled. Registration and payment will be handled electronically. Look for an email about Global Campus Summer School in the near future.	
27	I know that "Hold Harmless" does not apply to Dual Credit classes....what about Honors/AP classes? Still no worse than 3rd nine weeks grade if they stay engaged?	Anita Beach	live answered	

- 28 I am disappointed that CG has decided to maximize and take advantage of the waiver days instead of maximizing learning opportunities that they could have this school year. My children enjoy being able to keep the normalcy of school during this unprecedented time. School decreases their stress levels as that is normal to them. To cut that short due to what you mention as stress levels is actually causing my family more stress. Keeping school going through the planned end of the school year would really help my kids deal with the current situation. Kerri Fischer live answered
- 29 This will have long term academic effects on our children. Is there any plan for remedial instruction next year or over the summer? Karen Berlin We will work with teachers in May to begin planning how Fall 2020 will look for students. We will have instructional needs across every grade level, and we will plan how to fill those gaps/remediate.
- 30 next school year will elearning be available for days kids are unable to attend school? (i.e. sick/Dr's etc... and unable to attend) this way kids are not so backed up once they can return. Corian Christofaro live answered
- 31 Any chance of moving prom to a date in the summer instead of canceling it? Amy Russell live answered
- 32 When looking at possible future graduation dates in late July to early August, please just remember that we have some Seniors who are college bound fall sport athletes that would usually be reporting early to their school. I know I will do everything to have my daughter present no matter the date, but just also making you aware of this aspect with rescheduling into August. Debbie Wise live answered
- 33 If seniors could end their year now, the additional teachers freed up could work with other teachers to support the e-learning work. Also, they could begin work on remediation efforts for next year. Seniors could be offered optional AP prep instead. Any reason(s) why we couldn't do this? Chris Osborne Yes, there are reasons we cannot end the seniors' year now. The DOE/state mandate is that all students stay engaged in remote/continuous learning for a minimum of 160 days. So, CG seniors need to participate in eLearning to qualify for credit. Seniors in AP courses are getting prep not only from their teachers but also from the College Board.
- 34 Since we are talking about next year, it looks like there are several teaching positions posted. How are you planning on connecting with candidates so that we continue to have high quality teachers? Anonymous Attendee live answered
- 35 Thanks for the reply! Appreciate the consideration.. :) Jason Johnson
- 36 Even if only seniors went to prom so a smaller venue could accommodate them maybe that would be an option. Amy Russell live answered
- 37 I totally understand the graduation concern. I feel terrible for the seniors. But, as a parent of a current 8th grader/incoming freshman, any recommendation on how to ease the fear/concern of making sure she is prepared for highschool? I would assume, orientation for incoming freshmen is still a goal? Leigh Mitchell The HS will plan freshman orientation, because we know how important that event is to incoming 9th graders. Please let your student know that we will work to find ways to support the unique needs of students next fall.
- 38 Just want to add an alternative perspective on the early end date of May 15th. I completely agree that maximizing learning is the goal. However, this is an unprecedented moment in time that is coming with a heavy price on kids, parents and school staff. Perhaps some are better prepared to be suddenly thrust into a mix of homeschooling and eLearning, but I submit that many more are not. I believe it a wise choice to do our level best between now and May 15th to maximize the learning aspect of current circumstances, but reserve those last two weeks for inservice planning and prep for what comes next. This was not an easy decision, but I believe the right choice was made. Jeff Sickmeier Thank you for understanding our reasoning. None of these decisions have been easy, especially as we are always striving to provide an exceptional education to all CG students. But in this unprecedented situation with so many complex variables, we are making decisions with safety as the top priority.
- 39 While losing prom would be a major disappointment - good response Dr. Arkanoff well said. Valerie Fanter Thank you for recognizing and understanding our reasoning. None of these decisions have been easy, but our upmost concern is the safety of students and staff.
- 40 I appreciate you being mindful of ALL these things. Although sad, keeping them safe is best. Lori Gavorski Thank you for recognizing and understanding our reasoning. None of these decisions have been easy, but our upmost concern is the safety of students and staff.
- 41 Discussion for another time, but this Class of 2020 deserves some sort of plaque in the school to recognize this difficult time and acknowledge their perseverance, dedication, etc. Maybe unveil at a one year reunion? Thanks for all your hard work....we will get through this! Anonymous Attendee

42	Thank you for listening to all of the feedback. I would recommend more frequent communications to families regarding some of the discussions as opposed to people e-mailing and getting individual feedback...maybe take those questions and answers and do an FAQ once a week via e-mail to parents.	Valerie Fanter	We have a Frequently Asked Questions area on our district website - www.centergrove.k12.in.us/COVID-19 . That page is updated with the latest communication, as well as answers to questions as they come in via email, social media, etc. We have also started a page just for the high school. It includes a page dedicated to seniors. The high school page is www.centergrove.k12.in.us/CGHSLatest .
43	Having worked in college athletics before, heading to school early is certainly something athletes are required to do. While this is an understandable challenge I do not believe the administration should consider this factor when making a decision regarding to have or not to have a face to face commencement. In the end students will be allowed to leave college sports events to come back for graduation - if they so chose, they will always have that choice.	Valerie Fanter	live answered
44	Can we physically mail donations to CG Ed foundation from phone a thon pledges. Are you checking you mailbox at this time?	Anonymous Attendee	Yes, we do have staff bringing in mail on a regular basis from all of the buildings.
45	In response to some AP testing questions, the college board website will have a webinar on Thursday April 16th from 7-8. Link https://apcoronavirusupdates.collegeboard.org/students	Jason Cooley	
46	I know also alot of people in our community would do a drive through celebration for the seniors!	Leigh Mitchell	
47	Comment on the eLearning poll. We find the content is good, but the interface on a home tablet is very clunky. It's hard to navigate.	Jeff Sickmeier	
48	Recommend a type of tailgate AFTER COVID - bring the community back together. What a great opportunity to reconnect and appreciate - for students and leaders. Thank you for all your doing.	Anonymous Attendee	
49	I homeschool all 4 of my children for 7 years before they enrolled in CG. The elearning is great.	Yolunda McDonald	Good to know. Thank you for sharing and joining today.
50	Idea - is there a Canvas app instead of an online interface?	Jeff Sickmeier	Yes, there is a Canvas app available for Google and IOS devices. You should be able to search it and download it. Instructions for Canvas are availalbe on our eLearning page - www.centergrove.k12.in.us/eLearning .
51	Yolunda McDonald	Yolunda McDonald	
52	Thank you for this event. It was a great communication venue. More please!	Jeff Sickmeier	
53	How can I help?	Jeff Sickmeier	
54	Thanks so much for the discussion and answering many questions we have all had! Appreciate all of the time and effort you have put in for us all.	Lisa Peters	
55	'@Stacy thanks for sharing. I would recommend the senior page include the message Dr. Arkanoff shared today regarding commencement. It gives good hope for the students. Great message today regarding commencement Dr. Arkanoff. Thank You!	Valerie Fanter	We will get it linked - thank you!
56	Thanks to all of you for providing an open forum for us as parents to ask questions, hear the decision making that is going on, directions being enforced by the State, & all the other considerations that have to go on with this pandemic! Lets keep this communication going please & Stacy for providing the link for us with Seniors!	Debbie Wise	