

#### June 9, 2020

# Superintendent's Report





# Graduation



- Individual graduation ceremonies.
- CDC/AZDOH guidelines followed; senior and four family members progressed through a staging process.
- Individual process allowed for professional photos and personal photo ops.
- Not our usual. But differences may influence the future. Feedback from families was overwhelmingly positive.
- Thank you to the Principals and their staff teams who made this happen for our seniors.









# Thank You



We want to also thank the Amphi Foundation for sponsoring our graduation broadcasts on KOLD TV. These airings gave our graduates and their friends and families an additional opportunity to celebrate, and served as the vehicles through which we could deliver the traditional speeches from our senior class leaders, President Day, the Superintendent and the principals.



• CLASS OF 2020: **Canyon Del Oro High** School

• CLASS OF 2020: **Ironwood Ridge HS** 



CLASS OF 2020: Amphi **High School** 



## Promotion







Schools across the District celebrated their fifthand eighth-grade promotions with various festivities and events. Here we see photos from Wilson K-8, Donaldson Elementary and Cross Middle School.



# **Child Care Update**



- AlphaBest (new vendor) is actively pursuing reopening of child care services.
- Work is underway to license facilities for the new vendor.
- AlphaBest is in communication with parents and is actively hiring staff.
- District issued recent letter to parents and staff in English and Spanish to provide update and contact information. We also included the information in our most recent newsletter and we sent a press release.

# **Reopening Task Force**



- ADE Task Force Report issued June 1
- District process also underway
- 230 Applicants for Task Force process
- Ten subcommittees two still to be formed
- Larger Task Force Advisory Panel
- Representative of our community, with greater interest from and participation by employees; AEA members and other employees
- Future surveys of broader public and employee groups
- Meetings underway; Report and Recommendations in Early July



# Reopening



- Planning underway to meet predictable/potential needs in a competitive and crowded marketplace
- 4000 ChromeBooks recently ordered to meet student needs
- 700 cameras ordered for teacher classrooms
- Summer PD Institute underway on-side and at-home learners (hybrid)
- Acquisition of Zoom licensure
- Cabinet/Admin studying issues simultaneously with and through support of Task Force members
- Phase 1 conditions still barring traditional (in-building) summer school and summer extracurricular activities

















### **Governor's Education Roundtable**



- Governor Ducey convened a roundtable of 16 K-12 education leaders yesterday (June 8) to discuss reopening and obtain district and charter input.
- I was one of those invited to attend.
- State Superintendent Kathy Hoffman, AZDOH Director Dr. Cara Christ and AZDCS Director Mike Faust also attended.
- I relayed concerns of parents, teachers and staff, as well as District concerns.
- Governor Ducey was very receptive to and understanding of our concerns and voiced support of our needs.









# **Summer Meals**



We are handing out free summer meal at 13 schools sites. We've moved to kit programs, where children get multiple items twice a week. The picture above shows an example of a meal kit.

Approximately 300,000 meals served to date since closure of our schools.





During emergency closure of Amphitheater Schools, all children will be provided a free breakfast and lunch each day to take home. Children are not required to be present, but are encouraged to attend. <u>Multiple days of meals will be served each</u> <u>day</u>. Meals will be available free of charge for anyone 18 and younger regardless of enrollment or free/reduced meal status.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



# Just Ahead



- Tomorrow: my regular and recurring meeting with Amphi Education Association President Lisa Millerd and Vice President (Support Staff) Robert Wacker; will be sharing an update on the reopening processes and issues and seeking their input
- Tomorrow: Cabinet meeting with focus on reopening
- Communication with community on Task Force progress
- Weekly meeting with area superintendents regarding pandemic and reopening related matters
- Weekly meeting with Pima County Health Department leadership
- First Survey of broader community regarding reopening
- Reminder: District is on Summer Schedule 4 10-hour workdays (M-Th)



















# Thank You



Our Food Service Department has partnered with the Community Food Bank and the Arizona National Guard to distribute fresh fruits and vegetables to our families when they pick up their student meals. For example, in late May, pallets of produce were delivered to Amphi Middle School. The hope is to offer this service on a regular basis at schools around the District.

