

Parent Update - FAQs

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When will Southern University Laboratory School Reopen?

In order to adhere to the precautions that are taking place on the local, state, and national level, the school will remain closed to teachers, parents, students, and the general public for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.

How long will enrichment online continue?

Teachers will continue to provide enrichment for students until May 15, 2020. We strongly suggest that students continue to work the enrichment to strengthen skills.

What happens to the enrichment work the teachers have been assigning?

Teachers have been providing feedback on enrichment activities. Feedback and graded assigned work will be considered in the 3rd grading period. Promotion and retention of students in grades K-12 will be a decision using a preponderance of evidence from student learning throughout the school year. Examples of evidence include classroom assignments, course grades, student growth, benchmark assessments, and enrichment activities

What is the status of school events?

The Louisiana High School Athletic Association (LHSAA) has cancelled all events through the end of the 2020 school year (<u>click here for memo</u>). We will not have practices or work-outs on campus during this

closure. As a precautionary measure, all coaches have been instructed not to facilitate any practices, workouts, and/or any organized team activity until further notice. All other events have been postponed or canceled. How to communicate with teachers?

Please download the school's app in the App Store or Google Play Store. Also listed on the app are the google classroom sites. Teachers will provide information regarding their classes. If you need specific attention, please email the teacher and he/she should respond within 24 hours. Students are only allowed to use their sulabschool email addresses when communicating with teachers and/or school representatives.

What should students do if they do not have access to the internet or devices?

Cox is offering low-cost internet service. You can send an email to connectnow@cox.com. Please see the flyer on our school app. Spectrum is offering free internet service for some households for 2 months. Call 1-844-488-8395 for more information. It is important that you complete the most recent survey sent to SULS families. We will share information as more becomes available. Click the link to access the technology/interest survey. If you do not have internet access please email Ms. Smart at teshonsi smart@sulabschool.com.

What about students who are enrolled in Southern University Dual Enrollment?

Students enrolled in Southern University dual enrollment courses MUST complete online assignments during this period of time. The last day to withdraw from any dual enrollment course was Friday, April 17, 2020. Final exams are scheduled for April 28, 2020-May 4, 2020. If the student requests to continue beyond the May 4, 2020 date because they have fallen behind in their course, **approval from the adjunct (OR) that of their current adjunct instructor**, will be coded "in progress" and may continue their course/s until August 31, 2020. **A grade will be issued at that time. An "incomplete" will not be considered.** If you have any questions and/or concerns regarding DE please contact Ms. Franklin at crystal franklin@sulabschool.com.

What is the status of State Testing?

Louisiana will not require standardized testing (LEAP 2025) for the 2019-2020 school year.

ACT - Currently the ACT at Southern University Laboratory School has been rescheduled for June 3. This may change based on recommendations from the Governor. This ACT administration will be for students in the 11th Grade. There will also be an opportunity to take the ACT in October.

LEAP 2025 for Grades 3-12 - Students in grades 3-8 will not take the LEAP 2025 this school year. For students in grades 9-12, to date, only graduating seniors have a waiver from the assessment graduation requirements. In May, the Louisiana Department of Education will request a change in policy to waive the assessment requirement for students in the 2019-2020 school year. Students who have previously failed a subject test will not be eligible for the waiver. For example; a student enrolled in English I for the first time in the 2019-2020 school year will have the English I assessment requirement waived. However a student who would be a retester in the 2019-2020 school year, must still meet the graduation requirement.

Advanced Placement- CollegeBoard has announced that AP Exams will be given at home beginning May 11, 2020. Information on the exams and how to access will be provided through the AP coordinator and teachers.

EXAM START TIME	1:00PM	3:00PM
May 11		United States Government and Politics
May 12		Human Geography
May 13	English Literature and Composition	
May 18		Environmental Science

The school will host an Advanced Placement (AP) webinar Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at 6:00pm. The purpose of this virtual webinar is to provide students and parents with updates regarding AP. CollegeBoard has provided information, resources, exam dates and logistics for students who are currently enrolled in AP Human Geography, AP Government and Politics, AP Environmental Science, and AP Literature.

Google Meet Link: https://meet.google.com/hpw-zcbp-hpa

Phone In: +1 980-505-7454 PIN: 197 651 457#

When will Edgenuity (online) courses need to be completed?

May 8, 2020 (3:00 pm) is the final day to complete all Edgenuity courses. If you need any additional information or assistance, please email Ms. Franklin at crystal franklin@sulabschool.com.

Will we still have graduation or any other senior events?

Graduation is a milestone that our families anticipate with every child. As of now, the graduation and activities that surround graduation has been postponed. These activities will be revisited after the stay at home order has been lifted and further instructions from the governor has been given.

Do we still pay senior fees?

All seniors are required to pay senior fees. There will be a "callout" with more details on how to submit payments. For any additional information please email your senior sponsor at lindsey wells@sulabschool.com.

Will we have prom?

Due to circumstances beyond our control, these activities will be revisited after the stay at home order has been lifted and further instructions from the governor has been given.

What about invitations, caps, and gowns?

Announcements and invitations are complete and printed with the original date of graduation. Graduates may create an Errata Card to customize new information, (date, time, etc.) via the Herff Jones website https://www.herffjones.com/insertcards/ once new information becomes available. These activities will be revisited after the stay at home order has been lifted and further instructions from the governor has been given.

Will we still have a ring ceremony?

These activities will be revisited after the stay at home order has been lifted and further instructions from the governor has been given.

How do we return our Chromebooks?

An assessment inventory will be included with this document to obtain more information about technology per student. More information about chromebooks will be available after May 8, 2020. Until then, if you have a chromebook, please continue to work on enrichment activities, and continue to take good care of your chromebooks

What about report cards?

As soon as grades are finalized and averaged, the school will mail out report cards to the address listed in JCAMPUS along with any other pertinent information in reference to the upcoming school year.

How will the school handle promotions?

In 2019-2020, promotion and retention for grades K-8 are school based decisions using a preponderance of evidence from student learning throughout the school year. Performance on classroom assignments, course grades, any benchmark assessments, and enrichment activities will be used by teachers to determine students promotion status.

Students placement for the 2020-2021 school year in grade 8, T9 or grade 9 will be a school based decision, inconsulatition with the student's parents. The decision will be based on benchmark assessment results, classroom assessment results, course grade, student growth and attendance records. The decision will be made no later than July 31, 2020.

Students placed on an Individual Academic Improvement Plan (IAIP) for the 2019 school year will continue to receive support and intervention for the 2020-2021 school year.

How will students be scheduled for next school year?

By now, students in grades 9-11 should have received instructions on how to complete course requests in JCampus. This information will be used to schedule students for the 2020-2021 school year. Please refer to the school app for additional information.

Middle school students' schedules will be automatically generated for the 2020-2021 school year.

Will there be summer reading books assigned for the summer and how will we get the information?

There is a summer reading list for the 20/21 school year that will be sent out to parents the first week of May. Information will be posted on the website and school's app.

When can we order school uniforms?

More information about ordering uniforms and the process will be available in May.

What about tuition for the rest of the 2019-2020 school year?

We are currently working on setting up payments online. We will update you as soon as information becomes available

What do we do to register for the 2020-2021 school year?

Information about registration for the 2020/2021 school year is forthcoming. We will update you as soon as information becomes available

What about the elections?

Elections for SGA and Miss Southern High will be May 4 through May 8. A schedule was sent out April 17 via the SchoolInfoApp.

If you have additional questions please email them to <u>info@sulabschool.com</u>.