



Modesto Christian School
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Letter from MCS Administration

May 15, 2020

Good Afternoon Students and Families,

We are so proud of you! You made it through online learning during Quarter 4! You have an amazing story to tell of how you survived COVID-19 and spending your last quarter of school online. Believe it or not, you are a part of HISTORY!

We want to give you some updates regarding our Awards Distribution and Drive-In Graduation ceremonies. We are still awaiting approval from the county to conduct graduations. We will keep you informed as soon as we receive approval.

Regarding Awards distribution, Lockers, Chromebook and Textbook Drop-off, Musical Instrument Drop-Off, and Spring Sports Uniform Drop-Off, this is scheduled for Wednesday, May 20. In observance of social distancing guidelines, we must adhere closely to the following time schedule:

- Kindergarten – 8:30 a.m. (Pick up caps and gowns)
- 1st/2nd Grade – 9:30 a.m.
- 3rd Grade – 10:30 a.m.
- 4th Grade – 11:30 a.m. (Must bring music instruments to the Library)
- 5th Grade – 12:30 p.m. (Must bring music instruments to the Library)
- 6th/7th Grade – 1:30 p.m. (Clean out P.E. locker, return any borrowed musical instruments to the Library, come to EL side for Awards)
- 8th Grade – 2:30 p.m. (Clean out P.E. locker, return any borrowed musical instruments to the Library, come to EL side for Awards)
- High School Freshman 8:30-9:30, Sophomores 9:30-10:30, Juniors 10:30-11:30, and Seniors 11:30-12:30

Upon approval, our Graduation Ceremonies will only be for the graduates and four additional guests, and will be limited to one vehicle per family. We would love to invite all of you, but with COVID-19 limitations, it just isn't possible this year. More details regarding Graduation will be sent to the graduates' families soon.

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank Teresa Pahl for her 42 years of faithful service to Modesto Christian School. Many students have been blessed to experience Teresa as their teacher. Her creativity, talents, and demonstration of God's love will be missed. We look forward to being able to gather together to celebrate her retirement later in the summer. We would also like to thank Janine Runnels for her talents and energy in building our Music program since 2006. She has created an incredible Music Program at MC and continued to run Valley Harvest Nut Company at the same time! She will be missed tremendously and we appreciate her faithful service to our students. We'd also like to thank Travis Tyler for teaching our students this year. His knowledge of Science content and his rapport with our EL and MS students have been inspiring. We appreciate



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all he has done for our students this year and we pray for him as he embarks on a new teaching adventure and fatherhood.

Preparations are well underway for the 2020-2021 school year and now is the time to enroll to help us plan accordingly. We are excited to be able to join back together in August, as long as the COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.

Sarah Young, author of [Jesus Calling](#) writes, "I am not a careless God. When I allow difficulties to come into your life, I equip you fully to handle them. Relax in My Presence, trusting in My Strength." You have survived another school year, now relax in Christ's presence, trusting in His Strength. God bless you precious people!

Continuing to build for the future,

Cynthia A. Jewell, Interim Superintendent/Principal HS

Victoria Ollson, Principal K-8