April Schools Update
Committee of the Whole
April 21st, 2020

Highlights from our Schools

Working Together in Support of our Students and Families!
Key Updates - COVID-19

School Facility Closure Status:
- Gov. Edwards has called school buildings to remain closed for the remainder of the school year
- Mayor Cantrell has extended the stay at home order to May 16, 2020
- All NOLA-PS schools are continuing to provide remote learning through the end of the school year

Core Organizational Priorities in Response to COVID-19:
- Ensure schools have supports to provide ongoing learning support to students
- Ensure schools citywide can continue to provide nutritional programming to students
- Provide essential information to schools on the potential financial impacts in the short and long run
- Identify and help solve for any other system-wide needs or challenges that may arise
- Provide essential information to the public on the status of school and resources available

Key Updates - COVID-19 Response and Support

Continuous Learning: Immediate Response:
- Issued expectations and guidance in preparation for school closures
- Conducted consultation on distance learning plans and resource needs
- Established an online tool box for schools to access with remote learning resources and supports
- Provided resources and support for schools in planning for particular high needs areas, i.e. special education, high school seniors, English-language learners, McKinney-Vento
- Created specific guidance to address promotional guidance in grades 9-11, in line with LDOE expectations
- Dedicated staff as on-call to help schools as they implement their distance learning plans.
- Established working group with subset of leaders to discuss and plan for ongoing needs.
- Immediately identified need and procured technology, specifically additional computers and wifi access
  - 10,000 Chrome Books procured
  - 8,000 Hotspots Procured, which will provide internet service for 12 months
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Continuous Learning - Technology Distribution and Tracking Overview

- Distribution to Schools
  - The Distribution of Chrome Books to schools occurred April 6th-10th
  - The Distribution of T-Mobile Hot Spots to schools occurred April 9-10th

- School Organization Responsibilities:
  - Communicate Distribution Date to Families
  - Track the Distribution of all Materials, inclusive of acquiring signatures for Chrome Books
  - Send NOLA-PS Final Inventory

- Future Inventory Responsibilities for Schools:
  - At a pre-determined data, Chrome Books must be returned to the originating school site for an inventory.
  - NOLA PS will provide forms for schools to identify any broken, missing or stolen Chrome Books.

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Continuous Learning - End of Year and Planning for Next Year

- Closing out 2019-2020 School Year Strong
  - Finalizing promotional decisions
  - Graduation Planning and other End of Year Celebrations
  - Facility Guidance
  - Summer school

- Planning ahead for 2020-2021
  - Scenario planning and resources development for school openings given potential social distancing needs
  - Development of distance learning plans for 20-21 SY
  - Remediation and intervention planning for students
  - Professional development needs for teachers
  - Ongoing data collection and partnership planning to address outstanding technology gaps
    - Actively exploring citywide wifi possibilities with the City of New Orleans

NOLA Public Schools
Philanthropic Support for NOLA-PS

- On April 7, 2020, NSNO launched the New Orleans Technology Access Fund (NOTAF) to help support NOLA-PS efforts to address current and future technological needs of our students.
- To Date, the $523,230 following have contributed towards this effort:

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- **Child Nutrition- Citywide Feeding**
  - Coordinated City Wide Feeding Program:
    - 43 sites providing meals to anyone 18 years or younger or with special needs regardless of school.
      - Sites include schools, faith based locations, NORD sites, and retail parking lots.
    - Meals are provided twice week from 9 AM- 12 PM to promote social distancing.
      - Monday Meal Service: Breakfast and Lunch for Monday and Tuesday
      - Wednesday Meal Service: Breakfast and Lunch for Wednesday-Friday
    - Approximately 600,000 meals served to date
  - NOLA PS Supports:
    - Coordinating all sites to discuss daily needs, challenges and logistics.
    - Provided over 6,000 face masks to food services workers.
    - Provided health monitoring protocols for all sites and social distancing signage.
    - Operations team members visit each site to monitor adherence to health monitoring protocols and to support operations and logistics where needed.
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**Child Nutrition - Citywide Feeding Partnerships and Summer Planning**

- **Partnerships:**
  - Lyft: $5,000 in free rides to Community Feeding Sites.
  - United Health Care: 450 Face Masks provided to Community Feeding Sites.
  - Census 2020: Distributed Census 2020 materials and flyers at Community Feeding Sites.
  - World Central Kitchen: NOLA PS and KIPP New Orleans have provided Booker T. Washington HS as a kitchen and food distribution site for senior meals.
  - Various Donations: The District is monitoring various donation of food items, student activity workbooks, art supplies and using our community feeding sites as distribution locations for these various donations.

- **Summer 2020 Planning:**
  - This crisis and its effects on our community will not end with the end of the school year.
  - We are working will all school sites to ensure we continue to provide community feeding through the end of the school year and into the summer.
  - More updates to come on this planning process.

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- **Additional COVID Response Priorities:**
  - Mental Health
    - Coordinating with external mental health agencies and organizations
    - Dispersing resources on how schools can best support students and staff during this crisis
    - Providing schools additional social worker capacity as needed
  - Financial Planning
    - Convened financial leaders from charter schools to discuss potential budget impact scenarios
    - Review of pertinent federal programs to support schools, i.e. CARES Act
  - Coordination and Communications
    - Convening and communicating with schools on a regular basis
    - Created website and additional social media resources
    - Conducted meetings with Charter Board leaders and provided resources to support virtual meetings
    - Regularly meeting and coordinating with The City of New Orleans and other public agencies

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Key Updates: Enrollment

- **Round 1 Results**
  - Families may access their application results by logging into their OneApp Parent Portal account at oneapp.force.com. If families need assistance, they may call a Family Resource Center (FRC) or contact the Enrollment Team at (877) 343-4773 or via email at oneapp@nolapublicschools.com.

- **Round 2 of OneApp Open**
  - K-12 families still seeking a new school for next year may participate in the second round of OneApp, which is open until **Wednesday, May 6, 2020**.
  - The application process is online-only and available at www.EnrollNOLA.org.
  - Families are strongly encouraged to apply to schools with remaining availability in their child’s grade. Projected availability is also be available at www.EnrollNOLA.org.

- **Late Enrollment Planning**
  - NOLA-PS is in the process of planning for any COVID-19 impacts on the late enrollment process