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Good Morning Saxons,

So much of our world has changed in the past two months. As we have navigated those changes, one thing that has remained the same is our commitment to provide educational opportunities and foster supportive relationships with our students. As we celebrate the last day of Teacher Appreciation Week today, we are grateful for your support, and especially thankful for those of you that sent messages to our staff. Your messages were inspiring to say the least. If you haven't seen the YouTube video dedicated to the appreciation of Schaumburg High School teachers, the link is [HERE](#).

As we transition into the final two weeks of the school year, we are energized by your words and pledge to continue to provide high levels of instruction and support. It is even more important for students to continue to be engaged in their schoolwork as we work to not only finish this school year, but also prepare them for the next school year. Many of our courses include content that builds upon previous knowledge, and we want to ensure that students are ready for the courses they will take in the fall.

Parents, we ask that you continue to encourage your students to take attendance in Infinite Campus each day, engage in activities posted in Schoology, and complete and submit assignments to their teachers. Students, we want you to continue to engage with your teachers and classmates and complete all course expectations. As always, our staff is available to provide academic and social-emotional support to your student.

Many students will begin taking AP exams next week. Our AP teachers have been working diligently to prepare students both with the content knowledge necessary to be successful on the exam and with the skills and understanding of how to navigate the different testing environment. We highly recommend reviewing information provided by the College Board at their website: [College Board](#). This website provides important information about the format of the exams and includes a link to a demonstration of how the exams will function on your electronic device.

We will be celebrating our seniors at SHS over the next two weeks. Seniors last e-learning day is Wednesday, March 13. We have invited senior students to participate in a "senior parade" on Wednesday, May 20 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. at Boomer Stadium. We will then host our virtual graduation ceremony later that evening on Thursday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m. While we continue to hold out hope that we will be able to host an in-person graduation ceremony during the summer, we

hope that you will join us in honoring our seniors in the coming weeks. More information regarding the Senior Parade, as well as how to access and view the Virtual Graduation Ceremony, will be provided early next week.

Next week's communication will include some detailed and important information for the close of school:

For Seniors – Information on the Senior Parade, information and link for the Virtual Graduation, and information and a link on how to sign up to collect any personal items inside of the school. The school will be available to Seniors through an electronic sign-up by time slots on Monday, May 18 and Tuesday morning May 19. We will follow CDC guidelines, including Social Distancing, by regulating the number of students allowed in the school at one time.

For Frosh, Sophs., Juniors – information and a link on how to sign up to collect any personal items inside of the school and/or return any school items to SHS. The school will be available to all classes through an electronic sign-up by time slots on Tuesday afternoon May 19 through Friday, May 22. Again, we will follow CDC guidelines, including Social Distancing, by regulating the number of students allowed in the school at one time.

The end of the school year allows us the opportunity to reflect on both our successes and the things that we can do differently. While none of us would have chosen to end our school year this way, living through a global pandemic has allowed us to put many things in perspective. I have been genuinely impressed by the resiliency and determination of our students and school community. Thank you for leaning into new opportunities for community and connection, finding safe ways to support each other, and reinventing the ways we communicate and engage each other. Together we have placed an emphasis on the value of our school community; we appreciate the opportunity to grow stronger together.

Tim Little
Principal

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