

Didion Messenger - 8-24-20

Good evening Didion families,

Despite how different this summer and the weeks leading up to the start of school has been, that familiar buzz and energy is in the air that marks the first day being right around the corner.

First, I want to apologize for the network and internet issues that we have been experiencing. Evidently, there have been issues with outgoing district emails to certain email domains. At this time, you do not need to call or email the office if you did not receive this email blast, as we are continuing to work through those issues. If this blast does not make it to your email inbox, please check the front page of the Didion website (www.didion.scusd.edu) for a full transcript of this message.

Teachers are wrapping up reaching out to families to welcome them to their classes and the start of the year. I wanted to send out some reminders and updates regarding the upcoming distribution events.

The distribution schedule is below. * Please note that any or all distributions may be cancelled and rescheduled due to district and local health guidance regarding air quality. I will keep you posted should that need to occur.

*Kinder, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 6th, and middle school distributions will be drive-through events as annotated on the attached map.

Tuesday, 8/25*	Thursday, 8/27*	Friday, 8/28*
1st Grade 8:30 - 9:30	2nd 8:30 - 9:30 3rd 9:30 - 10:30 4th 10:30 - 11:30	Kinder 8:30 - 9:30 6th 10:30 - 11:30 7th 11:30 - 12:30 8th 11:30 - 12:30 Chromebooks 8:30 - 12:30 (Chromebook distribution will only be for those families who indicated <i>need</i> on tech survey. Confirmation email will be sent directly to those families.)

Make-Up Distribution Day: Monday, August 31st, 8:30-10:30

^{**5}th Grade Distribution -- 9/3, 10:00 - 12:00

^{**}Primary SDC TBD

^{** 5}th grade and primary SDC distribution instructions are forthcoming.

Our distribution events are intended to allow students and families to pick up necessary classroom supplies, curriculum materials, and textbooks (when applicable). Each student will also be receiving a whiteboard and marker, courtesy of the PTA! Students may also return textbooks or library books from last year. If you have more than one child, and can only attend one distribution window, please contact your children's teachers so they may coordinate.

Safety is our top priority, so there are very specific protocols and directives that we must follow. It is very important that everyone REMAIN IN THEIR VEHICLES at all times and wear masks. All staff will be following all health and safety protocols, including wearing cloth face coverings and social distancing. Please note that public restrooms will not be available.

Please write your student's first and last name in large print on a piece of paper, and post it on the passenger side of the windshield. Enter through the staff parking lot along the elementary side of campus, off of Harmon Drive (see map). Please drive very slowly while on campus. When you come to the distribution point, look for your teacher and carefully pull over to their area.

It is preferable that all families drive to the distribution event, if possible, but if you must walk we will be strictly applying physical distancing guidelines and you must wear a cloth face covering. For individuals walking, we ask that it be parents/adults only. Walkers may walk through the front of the school, past the gate, and wait in the designated area that is noted on the map.

More information is to come from your teachers regarding first day instructions. I will also be posting an Orientation video with helpful information and tips next week. Please keep monitoring your email and the front page of the Didion website.

Thank you and have a great night!

Mr. Eder

(Drive-Through Distribution Map is on the next page)

