

Chariho Regional School District

July 2020 E-Update

Hello from Chariho's new Superintendent



Hello! I wanted to take a moment to thank all of you for your warm Chariho welcome. You can learn a little bit more about me through the following Westerly Sun **article**.

For an update on Reopening Schools click **here.** You can read the American Academy of Pediatrics guidance and recommendations to return to schools **here.**

Clarifying Homeschooling versus Distance Learning

Homeschooling: With homeschooling, the parent guides their child in learning. The parent creates the assignments or purchases on their own a digital curriculum. You can learn more about homeschooling on RIDE's website by clicking **here**.

Distance learning: With distance learning or school at home the teacher is the primary instructor and gives assignments to complete. A teacher-student relationship is maintained and there is a certified teacher from the school department facilitating the learning.

Commissioner Infante-Green on ABC6 this summer

In her efforts to continue providing students, parents and educators with the latest information on the issues that matter, Education Commissioner Angélica Infante-Green has partnered with ABC6 to air a weekly informational segment. Viewers can expect to hear the latest news directly from the Commissioner on COVID-19 related updates as they pertain to schools and families, important alerts, graduation highlights, upcoming events, general good news to share, best practices from schools across the state, summer learning initiatives, details on returning to school in the Fall and overall opportunities for students.

We are excited for this partnership as it presents a wonderful platform to reach families who are unable to receive their information online. The show is closed captioned and airs weekly on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 P.M. on ABC 6.3. We hope you tune in!

News Worth Knowing...



<u>SurveyWorks</u> results are out. Please click **here** to find out more information on each of our schools.

Find out more about free summer meals for youth across the state here.

Be on the lookout for a draft of our Reopening Plan the week of July 13th on the District's website. We welcome all stakeholders' feedback.

There is still time to support the Class of 2020 through the Chariho Rotary's Brick sale. Find out more here.

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More News Worth Knowing...

Bus routes are created to serve students who need transportation. With our recent guidance from RIDOH and RIDE we may have limited access to busing due to the numbers they may require per bus. To that end, we ask that parents/guardians register for transportation services each year. We know there is a lot of uncertainty as to what next year will look like in the Fall, and as we await further guidance from the state, at this time we ask you to register as you would any other school year. As of June 1, registration is open here. Regardless of the option you choose, it may be changed at any time in the future. Our transportation system operates most efficiently when we transport those who need transportation, as opposed to those who are eligible, but may not use it.

Virtual Kindergarten Registration has begun! Click here to go directly to our Kindergarten registration webpage and find all the information you need to know.

Completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the first step students must take to get free grants, and scholarships. While the deadline to submit is June 30th at 11:59pmCT, any updates or changes are due by September 12, 2020 at 11:59pmCT. More details can be found here.

We would like to be able to offer every junior and senior in good academic standing either a paid or unpaid internship. If you are a business owner and are interested in offering internships to Chariho juniors and seniors, please contact Director Gerry Auth at **Gerald.Auth@chariho.k12.ri.us**.

Important July Dates!

July 3rd

The Central Office is closed for the holiday

July 9th

Special Chariho Regional School Committee Meeting

July 17th

Chariho's School Reopening Plan due to RIDE

July 21st

Regular Chariho Regional School Committee Meeting

Thank you!

Thank you to all who helped plan and participated in the Class of 2020 Graduation Parade.

We extend our thanks to Mario Andrade, who served as the Interim Assistant Superintendent since February.

The District would like to extend our thanks to EVERYONE who who went above and beyond, including students, families, community members, and staff, to end the '19-'20 School year in a positive and memorable way. It was no small feat, but we did it together!

Congratulations!

Reese Hathaway Rhode Island All-State Band and Southern New England Honor Band

> Austin Thorp Rhode Island All-State Band

Matthew Masse Southern New England Honor Band

Rachel Williams
1st Chair position (clarinet) in the All-State Orchestra

RI FFA Association Annual State Convention Winners: Employment Skills Leadership Development Event: Ella Krause (1st Place), Dalton Stone (2nd Place); Agriculture Skills Demonstration Event: Jessica Shalloo (2nd Place) & Lela Berry (3rd Place); Agriculture Illustrated Talk Event: Maya Fredette (2nd Place); Floriculture Team Career Development Event: Trianna Burdick, Olivia Ferrazza, Maya Fredette & Jessica Shalloo (2nd Place Team) & Jessica Shalloo (2nd Place Individual)

Pattee Dipollino and Michele Merlino May Employees of the Month

Gianni Petteruti and Karen Fontes June Employees of the Month

Retirees

Certified Staff - Kelly Gordon, Cynthia Potter, Holly Manchester, Pamela McKeen, Nikki Scott, Robert Tamboe, Sal Augeri, Lynn Larned, Jeanne Garr. Support Staff: Gloria Piti, Douglas Barker, Lynn Roberts.

Administrators: Douglas Lander and Susan Rogers.