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Hello Bristol Public Schools Community,

We are wrapping up National Teacher Appreciation Week and once again I would like to thank all of our teachers and staff for all of their efforts in supporting our schools. I would also like to wish all a Happy Mother's Day.

Now that we know remote learning will be in place for the remainder of this school year, we encourage you to reach out to your child's teacher, principal, Dr. Dietter ([michaeldietter@bristol12.org](mailto:michaeldietter@bristol12.org)) or myself ([catherinecarbone@bristol12.org](mailto:catherinecarbone@bristol12.org)) with any questions or concerns. We are committed to supporting you and your family throughout this uneasy time. Our passion and purpose will not be deterred by COVID-19, instead, we will demonstrate why we are the best at what we do, with the same passion and purpose we always have.

**Just a Reminder** - It is not too late to participate in the 2020 Census. Thousands of Connecticut children were not counted in the 2010 Census. By submitting your census, you are helping to shape the future and the funding allocated to the community for the next decade. This funding influences transportation in regards to highway planning and construction as well as grants for public transit systems. The census also helps to determine how money is allocated for the Head Start program, your local library, and educational grants that support teachers and special education. Do your part for the community. Be counted. Complete the 2020 Census.

**Last Day of School** – At Wednesday's Board of Education meeting, the 2019-2020 school year calendar was revised. This revision is due to the postponement of the Presidential Primary Day from June 2, 2020, to August 11, 2020. As a result of the postponement, June 2nd will now be counted as a regular school day and the **last day of school for the 2019-2020 school year will be Wednesday, June 17, 2020.**

**Class of 2020 (BCHS, BEHS, and BPA)** - Last evening, we held a webinar for families of seniors at BCHS, BEHS, and BPA to share our ideas for how best to celebrate our seniors. It was great to see that over 190 families were able to participate. If you were unable to attend, the webinar is posted on each school's website. Please use the email addresses below to provide feedback to the school and district administration regarding senior celebrations.

Bristol Central - [bchsgraduation2020@bristol12.org](mailto:bchsgraduation2020@bristol12.org)

Bristol Eastern - [behsg graduation2020@bristol12.org](mailto:behsg graduation2020@bristol12.org)

Bristol Preparatory Academy - [bpagraduation2020@bristol12.org](mailto:bpagraduation2020@bristol12.org)

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**Spreading Cheer** - This week, Ivy Drive, Southside, Edgewood and Greene Hills school communities held reverse car parades to connect with their scholars and families. The parades provided cheer to our staff, scholars, and families across the community. We thank all our families that were able to attend and have posted a few photos from the events on our website.

As always, We are Bristol Public Schools! We are Bristol All Heart! We are all in this together!

In partnership,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Catherine M. Carbone".

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