Dear Arapahoe Students and Parents,

April 15, 2020

I hope this letter finds you doing well. As we begin the third full week of distance learning, I’m sure you have adjusted a bit to our new normal. I realize that for some of our families this has not been an easy task and I continue to be proud of all you are doing to make Distance Learning work. Thank you to our amazing Student Council for sponsoring a very successful Virtual Warrior Week. I am grateful to the Arapahoe community for raising over $18,000.00 which will grant Michael his wish of going to Disneyland!

This letter is primarily to let you know of a few updates and to help you understand how the request to receive a Pass/Fail grade in your classes will work at Arapahoe this spring. You should have received this letter from LPS on Wednesday, April 15, 2020, via email. If you have not looked at it, please do so now. In an effort to help alleviate the stress of final grades for the Spring 2020 Semester all LPS high school students will have the option to choose a Pass/Fail final grade in any of their classes. **At Arapahoe, here’s how this process will work.**

- Teachers will send out a google form to students’ LPS email accounts that looks like this for every class they teach.
- Students select “Pass/Fail” or “Letter Grade” for the question about grading options.
  - This needs to be done for each class the student is enrolled in by May 1, 2020.
  - It is a simple form and should take less than 1 minute for each class.
- Students and parents sign the form electronically and submit it.
- At the end of the semester when teachers enter final grades into Infinite Campus, they will enter a P for any student who requested it. **OTHERWISE, ALL GRADES DEFAULT TO LETTER GRADES for each class as shown in Infinite Campus.**
  - A Pass is allowed for any letter grade of D or higher and will not impact your grade point average, though you will receive credit for the class. A Fail grade will impact your grade point average and you will not receive credit for the class.

I cannot stress enough the importance of discussing these decisions as a family with regard to your grading options for this semester. The letter from LPS linked above outlines the most important factors you should consider. Your Arapahoe counselors are available if you would like guidance as you finalize your choices. **All requests to earn a Pass/Fail grade in any of your classes are due to your teacher by May 1, 2020.** The final day of school for seniors will be Friday, May 15, 2020. The final day of school for grades 9-11 will be Thursday, May 21, 2020. Final grades can be negatively impacted by your lack of completion and participation in classes. So please continue working hard and reach out to your teachers if you need help. They are here for you!

I remain hopeful about an actual graduation ceremony for our Class of 2020. LPS leadership is working on some backup dates with The University of Denver and will communicate those as soon as they are able. Our amazing Arapahoe Calumet staff completed and submitted our yearbook by their March deadline. However, the yearbook production company is not running at capacity. Additionally, I still do not know when we will be able to get into the building to retrieve belongings. I will make every effort to coordinate pickup of personal belongings with things like yearbook pickup and the dropoff of textbooks, Chromebooks, and other school supplies.

I appreciate your hard work and commitment to the end of our school year. I hope you are finding some time to take care of yourself and are able to do some things you would perhaps not have the time to do under normal circumstances. Warriors, take care of one another! I wish you all continued good health and do hope to be able to see one another in person soon.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Natalie Pramenko
Arapahoe High School Principal