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Weekly Update 9-11-20 Archived

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Good evening parents and students, as the school year settles into a routine it is important that students continue to attend the zoom classes regularly and stay current with their homework assignments. Although our attendance this fall remains very strong, we are seeing a little drop off in daily attendance and homework completion. We know learning conditions in the "online world" sometimes make it difficult for students (and teachers) but our students' education is too important to let things begin to slip now. We are off to a good start this year, let's all work together to assure we finish the semester just as successfully as we started.

Remember there is a wealth of information on our website (<u>www.santamariahighschool.org</u>) that can assist you with questions regarding Zoom, Canvas, counseling, English learner tutoring, tech help and a host of other topics.

As we observe the 19th anniversary of the 9-11 attacks, know that things are still hectic at times, but overall, everyone has made incredible adjustments in an effort to assure our students get what they need. Have a good weekend everyone.

Attendance:

I am happy to report that we have contacted all students who had not yet logged on to their school classes. This is a significant accomplishment as there were nearly 300 students who originally needed connectivity or tablet issues to be addressed. As students are now connected, we would like to stress the importance of regular attendance. To do all we can to reinforce regular attendance we are making phone calls, sending emails and even conducting site visits to the homes of non-attenders. This campaign has been, and will continue to be, a lot of work for our staff, but in this online environment it is more important than ever that we promote good class attendance. I appreciate the work our parents, students, and staff have done to assure that students are logging on regularly and getting what they need educationally.

Sports:

Free physicals are available for student athletes next **Tuesday (9/15/20) from 3:00pm to 7:00pm at PVHS.** The physicals are available to students interested in playing a fall, winter, or spring sport this school year. The service is being held at PVHS as it is a coordinated event for each of the three high schools. Tuesday night is the date dedicated for SMHS students. We are excited to be taking steps towards reinstating extracurricular activities and hope that our county's COVID19 numbers allow us to continue proceeding towards competitive sports later this year.