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RE: Parent/Teacher Conferences

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Upon us again is another decision on how we meet with parents during the parent/teacher conference period in the year of COVID-19. Before I get into the specifics for what conferences will look like this year, I want to take a moment to appreciate and acknowledge the efforts of the Continental staff, students, and parents for the adjustments, patience, and flexibility shown during these unprecedented times.

How will conferences look this year?

1. Conferences this year will be an invitation-only process, and masks are required.
 - a. I know that many parents enjoy and appreciate the time spent with their child's teachers; however, to limit contact and exposure to both staff and parents, we will be inviting specific parents to come in and discuss their children's successes and concerns.
 - b. Those invited to attend conferences will receive communication by November 6th, asking you to sign up for a conference.
 - c. Those who are not invited to attend conferences will receive communication from your child's teacher sharing successes and concerns.
2. Conferences, by invitation only, will be in-person unless the parent requests a different format.
3. Conference times will be 15 minutes in length with a 15-minute buffer between conferences providing the opportunity to sanitize after each conference. The time gap will also assist with less congestion in the hallways.
 - a. Example of meeting times: 8 am, 8:30 am, 9 am, etc.
 - b. Please be considerate of the teacher's time and other parents and stick to your 15 minutes.
4. As always, if you are not feeling well or have any symptoms of illness, please do not come to your scheduled conference.

If you were not invited to a conference for your child, but you would like to speak with your child's teacher, please email the teacher so they may get in contact with you. Directory information is on our website at <http://www.continentalpirates.org/faculty-staff/k-12-staff/>. We hope that we will be able to balance safety with meeting the educational needs of students. Thank you for your understanding.

Yours in Education,

Danny F. Kissell