

Surry County Public Schools

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on School Operations during Coronavirus (COVID-19)

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Important Dates at a Glance:

Ongoing	Pre-K Registration
June 1	SCHS Chromebook/Book Turn-In Location: SCHS Bus Loop
June 2	SCHS Chromebook/Book Turn-In Location: SCHS Bus Loop
June 3	LPJ Chromebook/Book Turn-In Location: SCHS Bus Loop
June 4	LPJ Chromebook/Book Turn-In Location: SCHS Bus Loop
June 13	SCHS Graduation

Pre-K Registration (SES)

Children that will be 4 years old on or before September 30, 2020 are eligible to pre-register for the Surry County Pre-K program at Surry Elementary School.

Parents/Guardians, please complete the pre-registration forms. If you have already completed a hard copy registration, do not register your child again. Registration forms can be found online at the following link: [Pre-K Registration Form](#). Please complete pages 11-17.

Please submit completed pre-registration forms to Mrs. Latonya Ginn, SES school counselor, by email at latonya_ginn@surryschools.net. Families will be contacted at a later date for verification of required documents such as birth certificate, proof of residency and income verification.

Chromebook Turn-In (LPJ/SCHS)

Chromebooks that have been issued to middle and high school students are due for return during the first week in June. The Technology Department will be holding a curbside pickup at Surry County High School from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Staff will be positioned on the bus loop under the awning to receive Chromebooks. It is not necessary for families or students to get out of their cars. Return dates are below:

- June 1-2 - SCHS students
- June 3-4 - LPJ students

Students were issued a laptop computer, charger, mouse, and bag. All issued materials must be returned. If materials are missing and/or damaged, the following costs will be billed to the student's account:

- Replacement - \$270.41 for Lenovo Chromebook, \$24.45 for Chrome Management
- Screen - \$132.85
- Keyboard/touchpad - \$37.99
- Power cord - \$41.99
- Battery - \$49.79
- Mouse - \$5.80

Book Turn-In (LPJ/SCHS)

Textbooks and library books can be returned using the same procedures as Chromebooks during the week of June 1. (See above.)

Academic Career Plans (LPJ/SCHS)

All secondary students in grades 7-11 have access to Major Clarity. Major Clarity is a resource that Surry County Public Schools uses to promote career planning and education for all secondary students.

Students are encouraged to log in to Major Clarity to explore career pathways and complete their academic and career plan for the 2019-2020 school year. Students can follow these [Major Clarity Instructions](#) for help getting started.

Students in grades 7-11 should complete their Academic Career Plans by Friday, May 29.

Work Packets (LPJ)

Middle school review packets will be collected on June 3 and 4 with the Chromebooks and textbooks. Please write your name on the front of each stapled set. Packets will not be graded; however, teachers will review them to determine mastery of concepts.

JTCC Dual/Concurrent Enrollment (SCHS)

Prospective Dual Enrollment and Concurrent Enrollment students must submit a completed application online by Friday, May 29. Counselor Mary Johnson has sent application instructions via email and postal mail to each interested student.

Due to the challenges presented by COVID-19, Virginia Placement Testing (VPT) is not required. Other data, including student transcripts, report cards, GPA, PSAT scores, SAT/ACT scores, and SOL scores, will be examined to determine a student's eligibility for the program.

Students will be notified by mid-June of their acceptance status to JTCC.

Driver's Education (SCHS)

Students who have reached the age of 15 years and 6 months old are now eligible to take their learner's permit test. Testing will not be held at SCHS due to school closure. Eligible students are able to take the permit test at area DMV locations by appointment only. Please call DMV to ensure they offer learner's permit testing.

Information for SCHS Senior Class of 2020

Graduation Ceremony

SCHS Principal Giron Wooden's annual senior letter was sent via postal mail to all seniors on Wednesday, May 13. Seniors should review the letter with their families and plan accordingly. Also included in the letter is a Senior Information form that should be returned to SCHS by Tuesday, June 2.

The administration, faculty, and staff of Surry County High School has given much thought and attention to recognizing our seniors in a timely manner, while adhering to the social distancing policies set forth by the Center for Disease Control and the Governor of Virginia. We are pleased to inform you that a non-traditional "Drive-Through" graduation ceremony/processional has been planned for **Saturday, June 13, 2020 at 10:00 AM at Surry County High School.**

Parents/Guardians, you are to be commended for your guidance that has greatly assisted your child in reaching this milestone in their life. Please continue to encourage your child to set lofty goals in pursuit of the best that life has to offer. The information which follows is designed to help facilitate the process of graduation and make the transition a smooth one. Please review the items listed below with your senior and assist him or her in completing each.

- Students must successfully complete each course that is necessary for graduation.
- Each student should have secured a regulation cap and gown: boys, blue and girls, gold. ***If you have not ordered your cap and gown by now, you can contact the representative from Herff Jones to place an order at www.vagrad.com or 804-598-0971.*** Gowns should be placed on a hanger upon purchase to help reduce wrinkles.
- Student graduates are to wear the regulation attire: girls in white dress or skirt and blouse, white dress shoes, flesh tone hose, optional jewelry that is small and discreet; and boys in white or light blue dress shirt, dark tie, black or dark blue belted dress slacks, black dress shoes and socks. Attire is expected to follow the school's dress code.
- Graduates are expected to be present by **9:30 AM** on June 13th and are to report to the **LPJ Middle School bus loop. Everyone must remain in their vehicles.**
- Vehicle line-up will begin at **9:45 AM** and the ceremony will start promptly at **10:00 AM**. Graduates will be allowed **1 car only** in the processional and you can have as many people as the car will hold. **No one will be permitted to ride in the back of an open bed or trailer.**
- Once the vehicle reaches the middle of the bleachers on the track, the **graduate and parents only** will get out of the vehicle to receive his or her diploma cover from administration and take pictures.
- The vehicle will proceed around the track and exit the facility via the gate at Hollybush Road.
- Once the vehicle gets to that gate, if the student has fulfilled all obligations, he or she will be handed his or her diploma and will exit the premises.

- If the student has unmet obligations, he or she will be instructed to pull over to the elementary school bus loop to take care of obligations, receive diploma, and exit the premises.

Senior Obligations

Seniors should return all school materials, including Chromebooks, textbooks, library books, uniforms, instruments, and any other items issued by the school. SCHS librarian Mrs. Dawson will send each senior an email with a listing of outstanding library books. Materials can be dropped or payments can be made at the high school on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

Seniors must settle their accounts in order to receive their diploma on June 13.

Yearbook Sales

Yearbooks are on sale for \$45. They can be purchased online at yearbookordercenter.com using the code [4126](#). Delivery dates permitting, yearbooks will be delivered to seniors at graduation on June 13. Underclassmen can pick up their yearbooks from the main office on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM starting on June 15.

Senior Video

Please send photos to Mrs. Edwards-Jones for the SCHS Class of 2020 senior video. The following pictures are needed:

- 3 pictures from elementary school
- 3 pictures from middle school
- 1 picture from each year of high school

Pictures can be emailed to Mrs. Edwards-Jones at jenaedwards@surryschools.net. Pictures are due by midnight on Sunday, May 17. The senior video will be published to YouTube on Friday, June 5.

Senior Spotlight (Virtual Convocation)

Each senior's portrait, activities/honors, and scholarship awards will be featured on the school division website and social media accounts on Tuesday, June 9. Each senior was mailed a letter from Mr. Wooden and a Senior Information form. The form requests information about college acceptances, scholarships/financial aid awards, and post-secondary plans. This information is needed for the Virtual Convocation and will be printed in graduation programs.

Forms can be returned in person, mailed, scanned, faxed, or sent via email (take a picture of the form and send as email attachment). Emailed forms are due to SCHS Assistant Principal Ms. Ward at courtney_ward@surryschools.net.

Completed forms are due by Tuesday, June 2.

Important Dates for Seniors

May 17	Photos due to Mrs. Edwards-Jones (email)
June 2	Senior Information forms due
June 5	Senior Video published
June 9	Senior Spotlight (Virtual Convocation)
June 13	Graduation