



## SMS Sunday Message: April 19



**Good evening, Spartan Family! This is Matthew A. Mason, proud principal of Sandusky Middle School, and here are the announcements for the week of April 20 - 24. This message has been forwarded to our SMS family via email, and will also be available on our website under the Sunday Messages tab.**

- We want to thank all parents who came out to get essential items for students. If you were not able to get items last week, we will communicate other dates for pick-up opportunities. Stay tuned!
- I have the great pleasure of announcing two awesome people who received the Teacher and Support Person of the Year. Ms. Theresa Hensley, incredible 8th grade math teacher, was voted as the Teacher of the Year for the 2019-20 school year, and Mrs. Emma Cartolaro, our fantastic media specialist assistant, was voted as Support Person of the Year. Way to go ladies, and congratulations! Family, if you have a second, let these ladies know how much we appreciate them!
- This is just a reminder of the grading policy for marking period three during these unprecedented times. Students have three options concerning grades:
  - Students may **keep** the grade they earned for the third marking period as of March 13, 2020, when the Governor closed schools.
  - Students may **improve** their 3rd marking period grade by making up missed work (from previously learned content) and

submitting it to their classroom teacher on or before May 15, 2020. **All work must be pre-approved by the teacher.**

- Students may **improve** their 3rd marking period grade by completing replacement or alternate assignments (from previously learned content) and submitting them to their teacher on or before May 15, 2020. This choice may be used if the student missed a performance-based assignment, science lab, or other activities which cannot be replicated at home. **All work must be pre-approved by the teacher.** (Please contact the specific teacher for details.)

Students and parents, I hope you take advantage of this opportunity. If you need technical assistance, please fill out the form found on our Lynchburg City Schools website. Just click on the box titled LCS At Home Continuity of Learning, scroll down to the bottom of the page, and you will see a link titled LCS Student Tech Assistance Form. You will also find the different choice boards students can use to continue learning while they are away from school. We appreciate your patience and understanding during this time. Thank you and have a great evening.

**Please check today's email, our Twitter account (@Spartans\_SMS), and our website for more important information on school events. We love you so much more than you know. Make it a great week. Remember, it's your choice! Again, this is Matthew A. Mason, and SMS is pleased to serve our community!**