

# April

## A note from administration...

DATA families, as I mentioned in our previous communication, we had started remodeling and renovations in many classrooms with the understanding we would remain virtual for the remainder of this school year. We conducted our official walkthrough and it was agreed that we will have to delay our opening. We have been working with our contractors to meet the April 6th deadline for completion, but unfortunately due to delays in receiving materials and the unforeseen obstacles that occur with any remodeling project, we will not be able to offer in-person learning at this time. **Our new anticipated re-opening will be April 26th.**

I apologize for this delay and hope you understand that the safety of our students and staff is a priority. Currently many hallways are full of furniture, supplies and equipment that could pose a hazard to students as they navigate through the school and especially if we need to evacuate the building in an orderly and efficient manner. We will keep you updated as to our progress and should we be able to open sooner, will let you know.

Our COVID practices and procedures are in place and ready to be implemented when we return, this is truly about our current available space and safety of faculty and students.

Lisa J Myhre  
Director, DATA

## Q4 Class Schedule

Students started their 4th Quarter classes which are as follows:

1st period .....	9:00 - 9:50 am
3rd period .....	10:00 - 10:50 am
Lunch .....	11:00 - 11:50 am
5th period .....	12:00 - 12:50 pm
7th period .....	1:00 - 1:50 pm

You'll notice that Advisory is no longer listed on the Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday schedule (above). Students will meet with their advisors virtually every Wednesday from 9:00 - 9:50 am.

## Important Dates

**April 2 - 5:** Vernal Holiday (no school)

**April 17:** Last day to pre-order the yearbook

**April 20:** NWEA MAP testing for grades 8 - 11 (seniors who did not take the test earlier this semester must take the test to meet graduation requirements)

**April 26:** DATA In-person Learning Begins (pending school construction completion)

**April 30:** Staff Professional Development (no school)

**May 7:** Coffee with Administrators 7:30 - 8:30 am <https://zoom.us/join> (meeting ID: 883 716 8024)



\*\* Remember that student schedules and grades can be found in Tyler (<https://sdm.sisk12.com/NMDA360x3/login>). Make sure that you click on Student or Parent before logging in!

## School Re-opening: What to Expect

Here are some things you can plan for as we inch closer to returning to school in-person on Monday, April 26th:

- The class schedule will not change.
- Students will need to take their temperature at home before coming to school every morning.
- Families will need to check each student in to the Dr. Owl app before entering the school every morning. Students that have not checked in using the app will not be allowed to enter the building.
- Students will be allowed to enter the building at 8:50 am every morning.
- Students will be required to wear their mask at all times while on school grounds, with the exception of brief "mask breaks" in the outdoor courtyards and eating/drinking water.
- Social distancing will be enforced with all students and staff on school grounds.
- All classes will still be hosted virtually via Discord so that teachers and students in-person can still interact and collaborate with students that have chosen to remain virtual.
- Students that return to school in-person will need to bring:
  - a mask
  - laptop & charger
  - a water bottle
  - a lunch that does not require a refrigerator or microwave
  - a backpack with whatever school supplies they would be using at home for their classes
- Students will be dismissed at 1:50 pm every day and will need to make arrangements to leave campus by 2:00 pm.
- Wednesdays will remain asynchronous with virtual advisory meetings at 9:00 am via Discord.



Thank you to all of the families that already completed our Re-Entry Survey! Please keep in mind, the form is set up to automatically email you a copy of your responses for your records. If you have not completed our Re-entry Survey, please take a minute to do so now by visiting <https://forms.gle/hRYEmJmGshRh3Voz8>

Additionally, if you completed the survey but have changed your mind about the virtual/in-person option you chose for your student, please do not hesitate to reach out to our admin team to let us know. We will happily update your response. You can reach us by emailing [adminstaff@datacharter.org](mailto:adminstaff@datacharter.org).

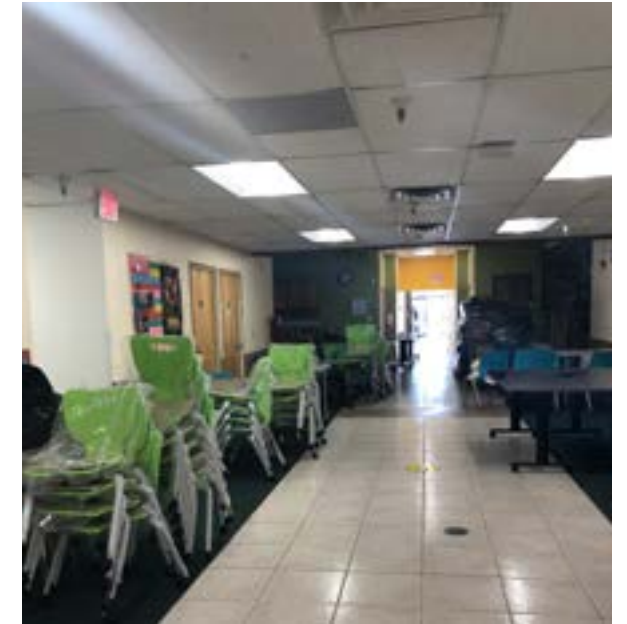
## School Construction Update

There has been so much talk about our school being under construction these days, so we figured we could give you a brief tour of some of the areas we're working on in preparation for our April 26th re-opening!



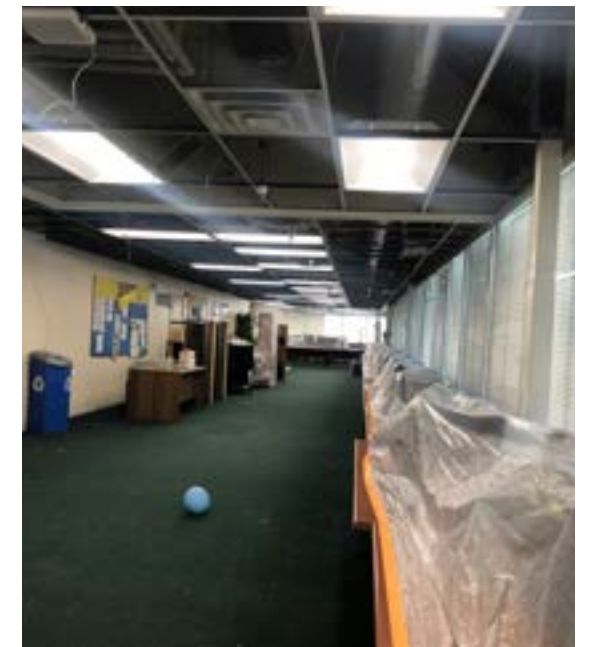
This picture (top-left) is a glimpse at one of our new 7th grade classrooms! There will be two of these classrooms, adjacent to each other, down a blue hallway that will lead straight into our 8th grade wing!

We also ordered a ton of new, colorful chairs and new tech-ready desks (top-right) with power strips built right into each desk!



Mrs. Wilson's room (bottom-left) is just waiting for a new wall and it'll be ready to go! Check out those new whiteboard desks and rolling chairs! Mrs. Wilson also has a fun sudoku bulletin board set up for some fun, critical thinking activities!

Our west lab is almost ready for some new ceiling tiles (bottom-right)!





## Yearbook Update

Don't miss out on your chance to order the 2020-21 DATA yearbook!

Order form: <https://store.shopyearbook.com/data-yearbook-2020-2021>

Deadline to pre-order is Saturday, April 17th! All pre-orders include the option of adding additional pages with your own custom photos and other items to commemorate your school year.



Please note that you can still order after April 17th, but you will not have the option to add any pages or custom photos.



## CNM's Suncat Summer Series

What do you want to be when you grow up? Find the answer at CNM's Suncat Summer! Test your strengths and expand your interests as you explore diverse careers. Build a model lung and hear from a respiratory therapist or create interactive fiction and learn what you can actually do with a humanities degree.

Suncat Summer camps will be offered over Zoom. All students will need a computer or tablet with internet access, speakers, and a microphone (webcams are suggested, but not required) to attend live Zoom sessions.

Program details:

- Virtual
- Week-long, half-day camps
- Grades 6-9 (Fall 2021)
- \$20/week



Session topics:

- Middle School MD (Health Sciences) - Register by May 23
- Go Green! (Sustainability) - Register by June 6
- Balancing Act (Carpentry, Science, Business, and Art) - Register by June 20
- Spark of Genius (STEAM) - Register by July 1
- Creative Bits (Digital Humanities) - Register by July 18

You can register and find more information at <https://www.cnm.edu/depts/outreach/cnm-summer-camp>

## Senior Day - May 12th

We have received many requests for a celebration for seniors and would like to host a **Senior Day on Wednesday, May 12th from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at DATA**. We invite seniors to come back to DATA one last time to congratulate each other and say goodbye to their teachers.

In order to make this possible, we need **parent volunteers** to join DATA Staff in attending this event and helping us hand out goodie bags and congratulating to all seniors that are in attendance of this event. If you are able to help out, please reach out to [adminstaff@datacharter.org](mailto:adminstaff@datacharter.org) as soon as possible so that we can include you in our plans!

## Rumble: Indians Who Rocked the World

The Public Education Department and True Kids I invite families throughout New Mexico to stream the documentary film "Rumble-- The Indians Who Rocked the World" at home between Friday, April 30, and Sunday, May 2. The award-winning film celebrates Native American music and culture over the past 150 years. The free weekend streaming event will include a panel discussion and special performances. [Click here](#) to register for the event!



## Student Spotlight

Exploration Lab is a chance for 8th graders to learn art and technology. Mrs. Wilson and Ms. Bibiano joined forces to bring an engineering curriculum to 8th graders last semester giving students hands-on experience building with gears, joints/hinges, circuits, and hydraulics.



Grabber showing joints and hinges by Sam D. 8th grade (above)



Hydraulic arm by Adam A. 8th grade (below)

LED circuit by Ethan G. (bottom-left) and Nathan M. (bottom-right) 8th grade



Automata with gears by Analis F. 8th grade (right)



## Virtual College Fair



Thursday April 22nd and Monday April 26th

5:00pm-7:45pm (MDT)

Registration is now open for the RMACAC Virtual College Fair! Sign-up to virtually connect with colleges and universities from around the country for free.

During the Virtual College Fair, you will have the chance to hear from many different colleges. You can choose which colleges you want to hear from by registering for their sessions. You and your family can ask questions of the college representatives throughout the presentations too!

Check out the schedule, list of colleges, and register now at <https://www.strivescan.com/rmacac/>