



Franklin Public Schools

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Dear Franklin Families,

We want you to know that we are thinking about our students and families at this difficult time. We are all missing our regular routine and our connections with the children who attend Franklin Public Schools.

Remote Learning Update

As you are aware, Governor Baker extended school closure through May 4 and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education provided districts with updated guidance on remote learning. We have been spending time aligning to this updated guidance and are prepared to begin phase II of Remote Learning on Monday, April 6. There is a “soft launch” of the learning plan tomorrow, April 3, where teachers who have yet to connect with students this week via Google Meet will be doing so.

We are pleased to share the Franklin Public Schools Remote Learning Framework, accessible by the following link:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fID4qLBUoxvsQ28MaqFDzm-kpndxXEXmUxNQPn1vfAl/edit?usp=sharing>

An important distinction from our phase I message is that student participation is expected. Connection to school and educators is very important for students at all times, and especially now with the disruption we are experiencing. We recognize that our students, families, educators, and leaders are doing something they have never done before. As a result, we know that it will be imperfect. Additionally, we know there must be flexibility within the structure; it is a balance we are trying to strike.

Questions

District administrators will be holding Google Meet calls by level on Sunday, April 5, 2020, in order to share some brief thoughts about the plan and to answer questions.

We invite you to ask questions ahead of time by completing the following form:

<https://forms.gle/vFCCkr6jBW9oywMTA>

We will hold these virtual meetings at the following times, which you can access via a live stream:

ECDC/Elementary Schools	Live stream link: https://stream.meet.google.com/stream/6b95aa95-32ff-48f6-a425-07edcb108b65	Sunday April 5, 2020 at 5 PM
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Middle Schools	Live stream link: https://stream.meet.google.com/stream/1c015a61-de41-4c92-9f32-27984c2b337b	Sunday April 5, 2020 at 6 PM
High School	Live stream link: https://stream.meet.google.com/stream/39cd3395-eb78-4ddd-a365-c993f159047b	Sunday April 5, 2020 at 7 PM

Questions will be answered during the presentation, which we will record and publish to our Coronavirus portal. Additionally, the form will be open during the presentation to ask questions at that time.

We will be monitoring Remote Learning over time, seeking feedback from all groups, and making adjustments along the way.

You can expect to hear from me again tomorrow, prior to the weekend.

Kind regards,

Sara E. Ahern
Superintendent of Schools