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Greetings KMS Families,

We hope this note finds all of you well and enjoying Easter. Our wish would be that we would see all of your children walking through our KMS doors tomorrow, but we know that cannot happen right now. The Kingsford Middle School staff has been working diligently to plan and prepare for the Continued Learning Plan during this closure. We're hoping this document will help you understand how we plan to move forward with our plan for our KMS students.

Following is some general information for you. Each grade level team will be sending out another more detailed letter with schedules, expectations, etc. tomorrow, Monday, April 13th.

When will my child be expected to begin?

- Students should begin their learning plan starting tomorrow, April 13th based on the schedule that will be provided.
- All teachers will be providing lessons or activities to support previously taught content as well as enrichment activities for each content area.
- Our goal will be to make the lessons simple, engaging, and enjoyable.
- All teachers will be sharing their office hours. During these hours staff members will be available for students to reach out with questions related to any of the learning activities that they are asked to do. Students can call, email, etc. Teachers may even set up some Zoom meetings for questions during these times.

How will lessons be shared with my student?

- For families that have a device and internet access we ask that your child sign up for **each** of their teacher's Google Classrooms. Invites have been sent out so please be sure to have your child check for these and have them accept the invite so they are enrolled in **each** teacher's Google Classroom.
- Teachers will upload lessons, activities, assignments into their Google Classroom for students to access at any time during the day.
- **If you do not have a device or internet access at your home, we will provide learning resources for you. These resources can be picked up at KMS on Fridays from 10:00-12:00.** Prime Time teachers will connect with students during the week to see how they are doing.
- UPED.ORG - This site will house information for all three buildings. Fifth grade exploratory lessons will be on this site. This site also has some resources for parents that can help you navigate through some of the learning websites that your students may be using.

Is there a schedule for each subject? Yes

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
ELA and Math	Science and Social Studies	ELA and Math	Science and Social Studies	Exploratory Lessons
Choose an Exploratory Activity				

- The letter that each grade level team will be sharing with you contains more info about the schedule for the week.
- In addition to each core class that is set for each day, we ask that students pick some activities that will be shared with them from their related arts/exploratory teachers.

Is there an attendance policy?

- We are asking that students and teachers connect at least one time during the week. This can be done in a variety of ways: completing and uploading work, emailing their teacher about their work, a phone call(s), etc. Teachers will document weekly contact.

What is the grading policy?

- The third quarter marking period will be graded. Report cards will be shared on April 18th.
- All students will have the opportunity to make up any missing work and demonstrate proficiency.
- The fourth quarter will be a participation-based pass/fail grade.

What if my child has an IEP?

- Special Education Teachers will also set up lessons for your child via Google Classroom or the learning resources will be sent home.
- SE teachers will be in contact with you if your child's IEP is due and they will set up meetings using ZOOM, Hangouts, or via the phone.
- Speech services will be offered in a similar way through our OnLine Therapists. Material and lessons will be made available starting the week of the 20th.
- OT/PT/Social Work Services: These therapists will be in contact with families to provide resources/lessons for students to partake in at home.

Can I come to school to pick up the things in my locker and other materials?

- The building is closed to students at this time.
- A plan for students and parents to access materials will be developed and published at a later date.

Are there suggested resources available to our family that can offer help and guidance during this time of unprecedented change?

- Yes, there are a wealth of resources available on the KMS homepage so, please be sure to check out our "Counselor's Corner" located on our school's home page which will be updated every two weeks with additional tips and ideas to help support your family during this challenging time..
- Here are a few suggestions as you begin your at home learning journey:
 - Consistency helps students focus, so start with a daily schedule. You can give older kids a sense of investment each day by asking them to help formulate their own schedule.
 - By building in breaks, choice and a range of activities, parents can tailor plans to meet children's individual needs. Be flexible and keep your child's experience and personality in mind.

We hope this information was useful to you. This process is new to all of us. We expect that we will have some bugs to figure out as we progress with this plan. Please be patient with us. Feel free to reach out to your child's prime time teacher or to Mrs. Carlson or Mrs. Nash with any questions, concerns, suggestions etc. We are in this together and want to support you as best we can. We hope to make it one that is meaningful and enjoyable for you and your family in this time of uncertainty. Please reach out to us with any questions. Take care and Be Well!!! Happy Easter!

Mrs. Carlson and Mrs. Nash