

Dear Collegiate Families,

Collegiate Remote Learning Plan

On March 26, 2020, Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education Jeff Riley issued his guidance on "<u>Remote Learning Recommendations During COVID-19 School Closures</u>." The document outlines the Commissioner's expectations for schools and districts across Massachusetts as we move from a period of "enrichment resources" to Remote Learning Programming beginning on Monday, April 13, 2020. Some of the guiding principles of remote learning include:

- Schools and districts need to ensure that students, staff, and their families are safe and that schools are not only focused on the academic needs, but also the socialemotional needs of students.
- Equity in terms of safeguarding our most vulnerable student populations needs to be a primary consideration in plan development.
- Remote learning cannot replicate the in-person school experience.
- Schools have an obligation to engage students in meaningful and productive structured learning experiences.
- Remote learning can take place in a multitude of ways, including student engagement with resources in their everyday lives and the natural world.
- Students should be graded on a "credit/no credit" basis for work completed during remote learning.

<u>Collegiate's Remote Learning Plan</u>: This plan will go into effect on Monday, April 13, 2020, and continue through the end of the school closure period. <u>Currently, learning resources are posted to</u> <u>the SABIS Digital Platform to support students during this time.</u> The key components of this plan are:

- As per the Commissioner's recommendation, students will be engaged in meaningful and productive learning experiences for approximately half the length of the school day.
- Collegiate will follow a set, weekly class schedule beginning on Friday, April 24th.



KG-4 Online Learning Schedule				
8:15 - 9:00	Math			
9:05 - 9:50	ELA			
9:55 - 10:40	Science			
10:45 - 11:30	Social Studies			
11:35 - 12:20	Break			
12:30 - 2:00	Office Hours (All Teachers)			

5-9 Online Learning Schedule					
8:15 - 9:00	5th grade Math	6th grade ELA	7th grade Science	8th grade Social Studies	
9:05 - 9:50	6th grade Math	7th grade ELA	8th grade Science	9th grade Social Studies	
9:55 - 10:40	7th grade Math	8th grade ELA	9th grade Science	5th grade Social Studies	
10:45 - 11:30	8th grade Math	9th grade ELA	5th grade Science	6th grade Social Studies	
11:35 - 12:20	9th grade Math	5th grade ELA	6th grade Science	7th grade Social Studies	
12:20 - 1:00	Break	Break	Break	Break	
1:00 - 2:00	Office Hours (All Teachers)				

- Students will be taught new concepts beginning on Monday, April 27th
- Students will be engaged in teacher-planned learning experiences for a period of 45 minutes. These experiences will be a combination of teacher-led and independent, student-directed activities.
- Teachers will make decisions around student learning experiences in conjunction with SABIS[®], their AQC, and the Director of Academics. These experiences can be a review of material already learned and new curriculum.
- As per the Commissioner's guidance, students will be graded on a "credit/no credit" basis for work completed during the Remote Learning Plan.
- Electives teachers will be working extensively with Student Life to offer engaging activities for students.

As technology is a key component of our Remote Learning Plan, we will be reaching out to targeted groups over the next few days to assess the need for and distribute school-owned devices.



MCAS Update

Governor Baker recently requested and received a waiver from the federal requirement for annual statewide student assessment. State legislation was signed and enacted on April 10, 2020 and the MCAS testing requirement was waived for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year. As a result of these federal and state actions, <u>Commissioner Riley has suspended this spring's regular</u> administration of grade-level MCAS tests for students in grades 3-10.