



March 13, 2020

Hello Dickerson Families,

My heart goes out to all of you as this continues to be a challenging time for each of you and your children. I can appreciate the myriad of emotions surrounding the COVID-19 coronavirus outbreak. At Dickerson School, we have been very aware of your children's feelings and maintained a fun and happy place learning environment.

Beginning March 16 through April 6, all three Chester Schools are closed. The Dickerson teachers have planned your child's distance learning. These will be referred to as FIDs - flexible instruction days. The staff has spent countless hours over the past week creating meaningful learning for our youngest learners.

Preschool, kindergarten and first grade students will bring home a "Bulldog Bag." Each of these bags will contain a cover letter from your teacher, instructions and lesson plans for the next two weeks. When your child returns to school, please return all of the contents of the Bulldog Bag. The second grade will use Google classroom to deliver instruction. There will be assignments in every subject area.

The related arts teachers have fun lessons for our children. The full time preschool, kindergarten and first grade have one week of lesson plans in your Bulldog Bag. For second grade, the Related Arts team has established a Google Classroom for all of the 2nd grade. The class code is: 7mdxr2p. STEM and Health are also included on this page. Have your children follow their regular related arts schedule. Related Arts teachers have planned for the first week. The second week will be delivered via email.

On Tuesday, Mrs. Connelly will add her lessons on her website. Her website address is: <https://www.chester-nj.org/SConnelly>.

The FID's will begin on Tuesday, March 17. ALL faculty will be online from 9-12 and 1-2 to answer any questions. Knowing many of the parents are working from home, Dickerson students may complete their FID's when you wish. I will be available all three weeks and can be reached at 908-879-5313. I will miss everyone tremendously.

Sincerely,
Ms. Melissa Fair

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