Bryant Update

April 1, 2020

Bryant Families:

Most of you have probably read state or district communication released yesterday in regards to the extended school closure through May 4, 2020. It is honestly hard to believe everything that is happening. This past weekend I took a nap (rare for me) and when I woke up, I thought everything we are currently experiencing was a dream. It only took seconds to snap back to reality. This is not a dream but something all humanity is facing together. While it is sometimes hard to think of positive things, I hope this experience can make us appreciate each other more and find kindness in the smallest moments of life. I hope families spend time together they never would have spent together before the pandemic began. Let us embrace time, family, love, kindness, memories...all things that really matter. If we have those things, we all will be ok.

In our new Online Learning experience, these first two weeks are serving to ease students back into learning as well as to reconnect with teachers and classmates through class meetings. A couple of parents have reached out to me expressing frustration with some activities on the district choice boards. Please remember that everything is choice right now. If you or your child are experiencing frustration with an activity or program, please choose something else. As I have stated in the past, we do not want our students working to a frustrational level. Do we want kids to be challenged and stretched...most definitely, but we do not want tears, frustration, and giving up.

Next week your child's homeroom teacher will send a Learning Board (note the change in name from Choice Board to Learning Board). There will be items students will need to complete, such as mini-lesson videos or read aloud videos presented by grade level teachers at Bryant. After these activities, there will be choice activities from district Choice Boards which students/parents can choose. The most important pieces will be the mini-lessons from teachers. Again, if any assignment is frustrational in nature after your child has tried completion for approximately 10-15 minutes, please stop and let your child's teacher know.

Counselor Information: Please know that Mrs. Flores is still available for our students and parents. Please read <u>this letter</u> explaining how Mrs. Flores can be of assistance at this time.

Report Cards: 3rd Nine Week's Report Cards will be available online at the end of the day this Friday (4/3). I will send instructions on how to obtain report cards online.

2020-2021 Pre-Registration for Pre-K, Kindergarten and 1st Grade Students: If you have a student who will join Bryant for the first time next year, Pre-Registration is now open!! Once school is back in session, you may be contacted about additional documents needed for your student's record.

<u>Click here for Pre-Registration (Pre-K, Kindergarten, and First Grade only)- English 2020-2021</u> <u>Click here for Pre-inscripción (Pre-K, Kindergarten y 1er grado solamente) – En Español 2020-2021</u>

You must qualify for Pre-Kindergarten. Please click here for Pre-Kindergarten guidelines and information.

For additional information, visit the General Requirements for Registration page.

Any questions regarding your child's enrollment can be directed to coronavirus@katyisd.org