

April 14, 2020

Dear Panther Students and Families:

Thank you for engaging in remote learning these past two weeks. We know this has been a challenge for some students and families, and we are working with individual students to solve some issues, such as Internet access. We appreciate your persistence and attention to continuing learning in this remote environment.

We want to emphasize that learning in a remote environment is still school. **Attendance is taken and grades will be given for all classes.** As with typical classes, teachers are still assigning coursework, and the expectation is that all students complete that work. Students will be graded on assignments and will receive feedback from teachers. If students don't show up for classes, don't engage with their teachers and don't complete work, it could impact their grade. Students should view remote learning as they would in-school learning.

We know the remainder of the semester will not be typical. It is important that learning continues for all students. Teachers and counselors are working hard with students to avoid course failures this year. We know this remote learning environment is presenting some challenges. Students and parents should reach out to teachers, counselors or administrators if you are having difficulty continuing education in this remote environment. We are here to help you and your students.

No decision has been made yet for the remainder of the school year and whether we will be continuing in this remote learning environment. District 6 leaders hope to make that decision within the next week to 10 days. In the event we need to extend virtual learning beyond April 30, we will have a plan in place for the remainder of the school year.

Thank you all for your patience and diligence as we learn together in this new environment. Continuing education for all students is our goal. Let us know what we can do to support you.

Thank you,

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