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Message from CEO

Dear Families,

I want to thank you for all the ways you've been in touch over the past week since we shared that we plan to offer a remote model this fall. I want to especially thank all of the parents who came to our meeting on Wednesday night. It was incredibly helpful to hear your experiences and your questions.

We know that not everybody could be at the meeting so I wanted to share a few things that we know and that we're working on:

- We are working towards every student being able to have a loaned device from the school. Students in K-2nd grade would get an iPad and students in 3rd-8th grade would get a Chromebook.
- We will offer a food distribution program.
- We would like to get creative about some in-person socially distanced outdoor opportunities for connecting students, possibly using the parks across our city.
- We are working to launch the year by connecting teachers with their students through conferences.
- Feel free to only purchase the school supplies that were listed for use at home at this point and hold off on the supplies needed for when we return to our building.

We are working on a wealth of details right now and will stay in touch as we have them, including sharing much more information about how instruction will look.

Take care,
Kristi



Parting Words from the Inspirational John Lewis

***NEW* Updates**

Summer Meals for Students

Urban League of Philadelphia has partnered with Aramark to provide summer meals for students this summer - See [here](#) for a list of sites.

Important Reminders

Summer Reading & Math

Students can complete the paper packets by hand, and if you need access to them or any of the websites online, **you can find everything [HERE](#)**, including helpful videos that walk you & students through the work.

We'll be grading summer assignments for completion, not getting everything "right". We hope to see each individual student showing effort and engagement with this work and practicing skills. This means completing the packets to the best of their ability. It could also mean talking about the reading & math assignments with family & friends (we know sometimes people learn best together!), and writing down specific questions for parts of assignments if they don't understand.

[Summer iPad & Chromebook information and guidelines LINKED HERE](#) <very important if you borrowed a WCS device>

If any issues come up with your device, please email helpis@wissahickoncharter.org ASAP. Don't wait till the end of summer.

Additional resources

- Please click [here](#) for updated information about the Covid-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program.
- Check [here](#) for financial support and eligibility requirements through the PA Department of Human Services.
- During the summer, feel free to reach out to [Ms. Rebecca](#) for any additional support as needed.

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