

WEBUTUCK CENTRAL SCHOOLS

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Dear Webutuck Elementary Students and Families,

At a time when there are often more questions than there are answers, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our school community for its continued support and willingness to help each other out. Our Superintendent, Mr. Castellani, has been keeping the families and community members informed as things continually change. I would like to follow up with additional information regarding health and safety protocols and academic expectations.

For WES students, ipads and packets have been distributed or delivered to those that have reached out. If you have not yet made contact with the school to ensure that these materials have been made available to your child, please contact your child's teacher so that we can make arrangements. As we continue to follow the guidance from the CDC to practice social distancing and separation, but want to make sure that our students have the resources that they need.

During our extended closure of school, we want to make our best effort to ensure students are able to continue learning. To support this goal, teachers have prepared materials for students that will serve as a review of prior learning, permit practice of standards based skills, and/or provide enrichment in the content areas. This work is designed to be able to be completed by all students independently and without the need for significant assistance from an adult. Please encourage your child to set time aside each day and work on these provided learning activities as well as reading books. For those students who were receiving AIS services, please see the teacher webpages (Stefanie Milot and Stephanie Langdon) for further activities that can be done at home.

If you have questions, please encourage your student to email his or her classroom teacher or myself. Many teachers are using other communication platforms as well such as Class Dojo and Talking Points. I know that in these times of uncertainty, strong relationships and bonds that have been formed are the way for children and adults to find reassurance. Together, we can overcome any adversity in our community and with flexibility in a continuously changing situation, our teachers are preparing for the possibility of extended learning experiences.

Please continue to stay healthy and I look forward to seeing all the smiling faces of the returning students, staff, and teachers in the hallways once this has been resolved.

Warm wishes,

Jennifer Hengen