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Epping Grading and Reporting Update April 17, 2020

Dear Epping School Community:

The purpose of this correspondence is to provide general guidance related to measuring student learning during remote instruction and assessment, as well as outline the plan for each of the three Epping schools.

As you are aware, the move to remote learning came upon the teachers and students quickly with little preparation time. Despite the quick transition, there is evidence that teachers have risen to the challenge with great gusto, as have our students. We are hearing about innovative online instructional practices such as classroom meetings, recording lessons ahead of time, the creation of websites packed with resources and teachers providing flexible scheduling to meet the needs of students and families.

One universal challenge for teachers has been the introduction of new, complex topics in a remote forum. In some instances, teachers have decided to hold off on the introduction of complex material for the time being. We are keeping track of which performance indicators are not being taught and assessed at this time. These concepts will be taught at the beginning of the next school year. Here is what you and your child can expect for Quarter 3 grades.

If your child is a student at EES, remote learning assignments will be modified for the week of April 20. K-5 classroom teachers will be inviting families to participate by phone or Google Meet in Parent-Teacher Conferences during the week of April 20. Unified Arts teachers will be available for conferences upon request. Special Education Teachers and Reading and Math Interventionists will continue to provide services to students as scheduled.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the interruption of learning progression for elementary students, Student Achievement Reports for Quarter 3 at EES will not include assessment of Performance Indicators.

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If your child is a student at EMS, Power School opened on April 14, 2020 with the most up-to-date grades for the midpoint of Quarter 3. Teachers have been updating PowerSchool with all submitted work to most accurately inform students and parents on a regular basis. Please note that an IWS indicates that the student has not submitted the assigned work. Student Achievement Reports will open on April 27 to report out for Quarter 3. Please keep in mind that work completion and engagement with remote learning on a regular basis is key to providing a comprehensive report on your child's progress. Changes in the way teachers assess students in remote learning have been made and these practices will continue to evolve to get the best information we can about your child's learning.

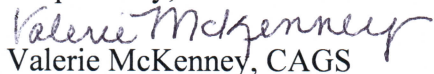
If you or your child is a student at EHS, teachers have been updating their gradebooks and students will need to complete all assignments in order for us to provide accurate feedback on their current student achievement status. This snapshot in time is a live document and will reflect the current status of your child's academic standing. Students who may be behind due to unfortunate circumstances will be given extra support through the reassessment process. I encourage all students to reach out to their teachers with any questions or concerns. Parents and students can access this information on Power school. This progress update will be available on April 17, 2020.

Finally, if your child receives any type of special education services, progress reports will be sent out as they normally would. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the reports please contact your student's Special Education Teacher/Case Manager, or Special Education Building Coordinator.

Currently we are working on end of year plans for students, celebrations, and summer learning. We hope you are well and taking care of yourself and your family.

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Respectfully,


Valerie McKenney, CAGS

Superintendent
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