

## Pollard News and Updates- PLEASE READ

March 18, 2020



Hello Pollard students and families,

It seems as though we have not connected in quite some time, although it has only been a few days. I hope you have been able to enjoy the outside and hints of Spring despite the snow this morning. Furthermore, I hope that you have been able to take in some family time. As you think of the weeks ahead, I wanted to reach out and provide some information that may be helpful.

As you may have read from district communication, teachers collaborated yesterday in person and will continue virtually this week to develop learning opportunities and extension activities for students. All of the details will be shared with students directly (via email, Schoology, MyHomework, Google classroom, etc.) and also to parents/ guardians via an email from me. Both student and parent communication will be shared on **Saturday, March 21, 2020**.

### **Enrichment Learning Opportunities**

Although this current week is considered our "snow days," (which means we are making these days up at the end of the school year, so the **last day of school is now June 25- mark your calendars**), we want to send work on the weekend so you can determine a schedule starting on Monday, March 23 for your student. The activities and learning opportunities are only for the week of March 23-27. We will send new/ updated lessons and information as the week progresses for March 30-April 6. **Keep checking emails.**

Not only will your students receive learning opportunities in each subject in which they are studying currently, but also additional resources to engage in **all of our elective classes** (regardless of when the student is taking the elective). For example, we will have **Art, music, engineering, theater, wellness (PE and mindfulness) and technology enrichment opportunities for all students to simply take part in and keep that mind muscle working!** As you may already know, all of the work provided is highly recommended, yet not required. Teachers are asking students to submit work for feedback and comments, but the work will not be officially graded or placed into Powerschool, for we are not introducing new curriculum nor moving the curriculum forward.

### **Advisory check in's**

Additionally, in order to stay in touch with our students, all advisors will be checking in on each advisory/ each child in his/her/their advisory at least 3x per week. This may be an email, a video chat, or a phone call. Keep a look out...

### **Trimester 2/3**

Finally, **Trimester 2 will be closing as of March 27**. We are leaving the window open longer to allow any student who has outstanding work due or make up work due to connect with their specific teacher and submit those past due items. Again, they will not be penalized for work they cannot do independently. **Trimester 3** will start on our return date to school (currently it is scheduled to be April 7, 2020).

### **CSL Hours and Completion**

Please do not worry about CSL hours (if not complete). We understand that there is little you can do right now at your sites. However, if you do help out at home- assist a neighbor by shopping, make a meal for someone, or help with trash, etc. - record that down and we will give you the credit! Now, more than ever, we need to be helping those in our community who need it. I encourage each of you to do what you can...

### **More to come on Saturday.**

Stay safe and take care of one another- I miss seeing each of you already!

In Partnership,  
Ms. Bibbo