

Happy Monday,

This email is being sent to all 6th - 12th grade students and parents.

I hope everyone is making the best they can of our current situation. It's a unique time in our world right now, and it's one we'll continue to navigate day by day. I know that many of you, as parents and as students, are wondering what "school" will look like Wednesday morning. Let me answer some of those questions for you now.

First of all, please remember that our campus is closed. No one should be on campus for any reason other than the prescribed pick-up times on Tuesday afternoon.

MRA has a 2 week plan in place as well as a long term plan, should it become necessary.

For this week (and possibly next week), our teachers will be providing instruction and posting assignments in Canvas, and our students will be expected to work on those assignments throughout each day and to meet our teacher-established deadlines.

IF our school isn't able to meet on campus by March 30, we'll be rolling out a plan for our students to be "in class" via video conference at specific times on specific days. That isn't something that our students and parents need to worry about right now, but it is a plan that we are in the process of implementing as seamlessly as possible.

With the heavy integration of technology and professional development focused on student-centered learning over the past few years, our teachers are well-prepared for this type of situation, and we will be in good shape moving forward. We have an excellent faculty, and they are committed to our student learning goals. If we have to deliver instruction remotely for an extended period of time to help our students attain those learning goals, we are prepared and ready to do so.

So Wednesday morning, March 18, our students are expected to do the following:

- 1. Log into Canvas, and check the "announcements" tab in each class
- 2. Check their MRA email account.
- 3. Utilize the tools in Canvas and online textbooks to complete any assignments assigned by the teacher.
- 4. Utilize email or Canvas to communicate with teachers about questions regarding these assignments. Our teachers will be establishing virtual office hours so that our teachers will be available online to answer any questions that our students may have.

The rest of this week (and possibly next week) will look very similar to the process we have in place for students who are not in school for several days. If we are still out of school on Monday, March 30, that is when our expectations of allotted times in each class period will be put in place.

MRA thanks you for your patience as we navigate this unique situation. Please know that we are committed to continuing our students' learning experiences, and we hope that each household is able to experience some precious family time during this season of uncertainty.

Thank you,

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