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Greetings Titan Scholars and Families~

It is definitely an unprecedented time in the history of education. With Governor Inslee leading the state to “flatten the curve” of COVID-19, it is perfectly normal to feel unsettled and anxious in the face of a health pandemic. Yet, here we are taking the necessary and logical steps to enact measures to help keep you and your families safe. And this is a good thing.

Six weeks can feel like a long time; there’s Spring Break in the middle of all that, and we know there is also concern about how this interruption will impact our scholars’ academic and extra-curricular activities. For now, I urge each and every one of you to remain patient, continue preventative measures through diligent hand washing and social distancing practices, interrupt the spread of germs by self-quarantining if you can, and remain hope-filled and optimistic. Our kids will need that.

Rest assured our teachers and staff will be ready to welcome our scholars when they return on April 27th. Until then, know that you will be receiving Instructional Review Packets from our district in the mail. It is critical that students be provided with a daily schedule to work on this, and any other practice assignments they may be receiving from their teachers.

That said, **please ensure you are daily checking StudentVue, ParentVue, and Canvas**. Through these portals you will be able to access learning resources, activities, and materials to reinforce and practice skills and concepts that students have been working on this year. All students have been enrolled in a Canvas Course called “School to Home” to support learning during this closure. Once students enter the course, they can view the packet online or download and print the packet to do the work on paper. If you do not have internet access at home, please see the link below to access free internet from Comcast for 2 months.

Additionally, all teachers and staff will be available via school email Monday-Friday during this 6-week building closure. Teachers will be able to provide support with learning materials.

Most importantly, children need structure and a schedule. Please spend some time with your scholars to develop a daily schedule, ensure they are following it, then spend time with them to talk about their learning. We have developed resources and talking points for you to use together. Please see the Family Resources link below to access this information.

Below are some helpful links and documents you might find useful at this time:

How to Find Resources Off Campus

How to Log onto Canvas

1. Go to fwps.instructure.com
2. Your username is your student NUMBER ONLY. Your password is the same as your regular school password.
3. Password not working? Call 253-945-2111 and ask them to reset your password.

Using the Canvas App

4. Download the app.
5. When “Find My School” pops up, type in “Federal Way Public Schools with Internet Academy.”
6. Your username is your student NUMBER ONLY. Your password is the same as your regular school password.
7. Password not working? Call 253-945-2111 and ask them to reset your password.

StudentVue

- You can do a lot more than check your grades here. You can see what standards you still need to work on so you can practice them at home and you can contact any or all of your teachers. This is a great tool to communicate your needs during this time!

Email

- Your student email is your student number @p12.fwps.org. Ex. 12345@p12.fwps.org

How to Contact Your Teacher

- Teachers can be emailed through StudentVue or online via the Todd Beamer High School website.

More Resources

- Resource Page for scholars and families [Family Resources](#)
- Free Breakfast and Lunch Service in FWPS [Free Meals](#)
- Free Internet from Comcast: <https://www.internetessentials.com/>

Finally, I can't say this enough: it is such an honor to lead alongside this incredible group of devoted and caring TBHS educators! I hope you can take a moment to thank our teachers and staff who have committed to working *differently* and *remotely* through this uncertain period. Coming together as a **stronger community** is a thankful outcome.

At the end of the day, we have the power to determine how we remember these next six weeks six years from now. Let's together make it meaningful and productive. Let's together keep everyone healthy. Let's together be grateful for a community that extends its reach beyond the school house walls. Let's roll!

Peace and plenty,

Anali Weatherhead