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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Recently you received notification that the Christina School District will implement remote learning using the Schoology platform, beginning on Monday, April 6, 2020.

Attached you will find detailed instructions on how to access Schoology, along with a CSD Sample Home Academic Schedule for your child's grade level. The Sample Home Academic Schedule provides some ideas for structured activities your child may enjoy throughout the day along with remote learning.

Every grade level schedule includes the following three core sections which are highlighted on your schedule:

- 2 learning opportunities per day
- 2 related arts/specials opportunities per day
- Virtual office hours per teacher per day

EL, AAP, and Special Education staff will be contacting families with their schedule/program information as well.

Our teachers have been very busy preparing a variety of learning experiences for your children, some of which may include live sessions, recorded sessions, and follow up assignments and/or discussion boards.

All lessons will be posted in Schoology by 9am each day, and your child can access the lessons within the various core content folders, at the scheduled time, or at a time that is convenient for your family. Your teachers will notify you in advance if they are offering a live lesson, but please note that all live lessons will be recorded, as we realize that all students may not be able to access a live lesson.

Teachers will actively monitor when assignments are accessed and submitted, and will provide feedback to families. Teachers will also be available daily for virtual office hours. These virtual office hours are an opportunity for parents and teachers to address concerns regarding the instructional content, and to answer parent questions. Please feel free to reach out to your child's teacher if you have any questions, and they will respond to you during their virtual office hours. Please note that members of our paraprofessional staff will be contacting families by telephone over the next couple of days to check in with you regarding supports you may need for accessing Schoology.

Bear in mind, this is a new journey for all of us, and we are all in different phases of developing our skills for *remote* learning. Together, with patience and understanding, we will gently ease into this new framework of online teaching and learning. We are committed to making this process a success, and we look forward to working with you and your child/children, as we learn from each other to better our experiences during this time of physical distance instruction. Stay well and "see" you soon!

Ms. Gallagher, Assistant Principal, and Brader Staff

## Richard L. Gregg, Superintendent

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