

PANTHERS,

IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE ALL THAT LONG AGO THAT I SAT DOWN TO WRITE YU AN UPDATE ON SCHOOL FOR THE FALL ☺ THAT BEING SAID, A LOT HAS CHANGED IN JUST THOSE FEW SHORT WEEKS. AS YU KNOW, EARLIER THIS WEEK THE DECISION WAS MADE FOR US TO BEGIN THE SCHOOL YEAR REMOTELY. WHILE WE ARE SADDENED BY THIS DECISION, WE KNOW IT IS ABSOLUTELY THE RIGHT ONE TO ENSURE OUR STUDENTS, STAFF, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITY STAY HEALTHY. AS SUCH, WE WILL EMBARK UPON REMOTE LEARNING 2.0 TOGETHER TO START THE YEAR!



I WANTED TO REACH OUT AGAIN TO LET YU KNOW THAT THIS VERSION OF REMOTE LEARNING WILL BE EVEN BETTER THAN WHAT YU EXPERIENCED LAST SPRING. HAVING HAD 3 MONTHS OF REMOTE LEARNING AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO REFLECT ON THAT TIME, WE ARE WORKING HARD TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS IS THE VERY BEST EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE YU CAN HAVE GIVEN THE CIRCUMSTANCES. AS WE GET READY FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR, YU CAN PLAN ON THERE BEING MORE TIME SPENT FACE-TO-FACE WITH YOUR TEACHERS AND PEERS. YOU WILL ALSO RECEIVE MORE TIMELY AND SPECIFIC FEEDBACK ON THE WORK YU TURN IN. AS YU KNOW, FEEDBACK IS IMPORTANT FOR ALL OF US TO LEARN, GROW, AND IMPROVE.

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LASTLY, WE ARE GOING TO PUSH OUR THINKING AND PRACTICES TO MAKE SURE YOUR LEARNING EXPERIENCES ARE AS ENGAGING, MEANINGFUL, AND RELEVANT AS POSSIBLE.

THAT BEING SAID, WE ARE GOING TO NEED YOUR HELP AND INSIGHT ALONG THE WAY. JUST LIKE IN SCHOOL WE NEED YOUR BEST EFFORT ALL DAY, EVERY DAY! WE NEED YOU TO KEEP WORKING HARD, STAYING CONNECTED AND ENGAGED. WE ALSO NEED YOUR FEEDBACK. THE ONLY WAY WE'LL KNOW IF WE ARE DOING THIS WORK WELL IS BY HEARING YOUR VOICE. THERE WILL BE MANY OPPORTUNITIES AS WE MOVE THROUGH REMOTE LEARNING FOR YOU TO SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS WITH US (SURVEYS, VIRTUAL MEETINGS, ETC.) PLEASE KNOW THAT YOUR VOICE IS VALUED AND MATTERS! AFTER ALL, YOU ARE THE REASON WE ARE ALL HERE AND WORKING TOGETHER!

THAT'S IT FOR THIS LETTER. AS ALWAYS, PLEASE GIVE ME A SHOUT OUT IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONCERNS, THOUGHTS, IDEAS, OR SUGGESTIONS. I VERY MUCH LOOK FORWARD TO CONNECTING WITH YOU DIGITALLY IN THE COMING WEEKS AND AGAIN IN-PERSON AS SOON AS IT IS SAFE TO DO SO. STAY WELL!

- DR. SCHMEISSER