

MP&MS Distance Learning Resources

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CLEARING HOUSES OF INFORMATION

[Tips and resources from teachers in Asia](#) whose schools have been closed for a while

[8 helpful tips about distance learning](#)

[6 different, and also helpful, tips](#) about thinking about how to approach distance learning

Global On-Line Academy, many great ideas for teaching on line

[Crowd-sourced list of resources](#) organized in a spreadsheet. The most comprehensive I've seen.

[Extensive list of site/apps](#) for students to use on all topics from AMLE

[Ted Talks to watch with kids](#)

[Institute for Social and Emotional Learning](#) compendium of academic and SEL resources

[Resources for closed schools](#)

[NWEA top favorites](#) for every academic area

[McGraw Hill](#) has content for all areas, including health and PE.

[Creating engaging digital content for Online Learning](#) Includes resources for: Quicktime, Flipgrid, Padlet, Newsela, Podcasts

[eLearning Exemplars](#)

[Keep learning in challenging times](#) Blog post for parenting adults in International Schools in China on how to cope with school closures

[List of useful resources for those teaching virtually](#)

[Facebook group: Educator Temporary School Closure for Online Learning](#)

[Virtual Learning Survival Guide \(Podcast\)](#)

[International Educator Shared resources for virtual learning in emergency school closure](#)

[International Educator Temporary School Closure for Online Learning \(Facebook Group\)](#)

[Remote Learning Solutions](#) (powerpoint with big picture ideas)

[International Schools](#): several distance learning programs

[Sacred Heart resources](#)

[St. Raphael Blizzard Bags](#) (examples of activities to share with different age groups)

[American Embassy Schools : Elementary](#)

[EduBlogger](#)

[How to work from home](#)

[Screencast-O-Matic](#) for recording your screen or a video to share with students; free

Elementary Choice Board Links (click on grade level below)

[Pre-K Kindergarten](#), [1st Grade](#), [2nd Grade](#) [3rd Grade](#), [4th Grade](#), [5th Grade](#)

GENERAL ON-LINE RESOURCES

[Khan Academy](#)

[IXL](#) Note: IXL is holding [free webinars](#) for how to use their variety of products

[Freckle](#), differentiated/able content in all subjects

[Quizlet](#)

[Starfall \(Preschool-3rd\)](#)

[RVIS Examples \(Preschool-2nd\)](#)

[Gonoodle](#)

[Twinkl](#)

[Flipgrid](#)

[FunBrain](#)

[LearningGamesForKids](#)

[BrainPop](#) all subjects 3rd-8th

[Brainpop Jr](#) (EC-3rd)

[Resources for Educators](#)

[Free access for students here](#)

[KapWing](#), a collaborative online image and video editor with cloud storage. It's a [tool for teachers](#) who are making video lessons, for students working together on a group project, or a classroom looking for a digital space to share multimedia projects with each other.

[Kahoot!](#) is a fun way to have kids join live game-show style quizzes and can also serve as exit cards. Note that you can make each question worth 0 points to avoid kids competing for scores.

RESEARCH

Alexandria

Online catalog to search books in our collection

<https://mpms.goalexandria.com/>

Encyclopedia Britannica Online

Username:marin

Password:school

<http://school.eb.com/>

Ed1stop (for student use)

Access Worldbook Encyclopedia Online, BrainPop and more

Student log in:

Username: eabrams_stu

Password: mpms

<http://www.ed1stop.net/>

Pebble Go (K-3)

Database to teach kids about research, reporting, and citing sources.

Username: mpms

Password: read

<https://www.pebblego.com/>

LANGUAGE ARTS

TeachingBooks

TeachingBooks.net is an online database of thousands of multimedia resources you can use to explore children's and young adult books and their authors.

<http://teachingbooks.net/>

Marin County Free Library

<https://marinlibrary.org/kids/>

<https://marinet.overdrive.com/library/teens>

<https://marinlibrary.org/access-the-library-from-home/>

San Francisco Public Library

<https://sfpl.org/>

Common Lit Website (3-8)

CommonLit is a free collection of fiction and nonfiction for 3rd-12th grade classrooms. Search and filter the collection by lexile, grade, theme, genre, literary device, or common core standard.

<https://www.commonlit.org/>

Newsela

a database of current events stories tailor-made for classroom use.

<https://newsela.com/>

[IXL](#) has reading, vocabulary, grammar and writing content

[Vocabulary Spelling City](#) Lots of fun games; has premade word lists or you can add your own.
Free with code VSCFree90

[Storyline Online](#) Over a million free read aloud book videos read by famous actors with teacher guides

[25 Book Report Alternatives](#)

[Lunch Doodles with Mo Willems](#)

Reading:

[Audible free audio books](#), content for kids 0-18

[Raz-Kids](#) (K-5)—logins [here](#)

[Epic](#) (online library of books for kids, free for teachers)

[Independent reading response ideas](#) (grades 3rd-8th)

[ABCYA games](#) (EC-2nd)

[Scholastic activities](#)

[Story On Line](#) famous authors read to kids

Writing:

[StoryKit](#) app for creating stories with students' pictures & voices (2nd-8th)

[Scholastic story starters](#) (K-6th)

SOCIAL STUDIES

Newsela

a database of current events stories tailor-made for classroom use.

<https://newsela.com/>

[IXL](#) has social studies content

[Facing History](#) has free webinars and extensive resources for on-line learning

[Library of Congress Primary Sources](#)

[Stanford History Education Group](#) (4th-12th)

[Zinn Education Project](#) (Preschool-12th)

[Virtual Museums](#)

[BBC History for Kids](#)

[Time For Kids](#)

[Google Arts and Culture](#), including virtual museum tours all over the world

[Kids Discover Magazine](#), free for three months

MATH

[PhET math/science simulations](#)

[IXL](#) has math content

[DreamBox](#) (1st-8th)

[National Council of Teachers of Mathematics \(support for parenting adults\)](#)

[National Association for the Education of Young Children](#) (Preschool-2nd)

[Bridges Mathematics support for families](#) (K-5th)

[3 Act Lessons](#)

[CoolMath.com](#)

SCIENCE

[Explore](#) live cameras on amazing animals on every continent, and more

[PhET math/science simulations](#)

[DIY hand sanitizer](#)

[IXL](#) has science content

[Blue Planet/Planet Earth](#)

[Exploratorium](#)

[CA Academy of Sciences Distance Learning Resources](#)

[K-1st](#), [2nd-3rd](#), [4th-5th](#)

[Mystery Science](#)

[National Science Teaching Association](#) (support for parenting adults)

Skype a Scientist ([teachers](#), [families](#))

[Smithsonian Education](#) (K-12th)

[National Geographic Kids](#)

[HowStuffWorks.com](#)

[Time For Kids](#)

[Kids Discover Magazine](#), free for three months

[Alchemie](#), on-line chemistry

[RX Outside](#), nature to your living room

[NASA](#) resources for kids and families, including Earth Day

[Earth Day film festival](#) many great science/eco films

SPANISH

<https://www.duolingo.com/>

MUSIC

<https://www.mydso.com/dso-kids/> Check out the interactive Dallas Symphony Orchestra Kids website. Share especially the Listen and Learn and the Activities sections. The Composers section (Renaissance to Modern times) is great with details about their lives and samples of their music.

PHYSICAL EXERCISE

[Yoga and meditation](#) link from Nora

MEDITATION/REFLECTION/SEL

[Yoga and meditation](#) link from Nora

[RAIN and self-compassion](#) with Tara Brach (You can also listen to Tara's podcasts, which are so wise and grounding.)

[HeartSmart](#) SEL program for kids 4-6+, free

ADVISORY/COMMUNITY

[Advisory/community building resources](#) from IFSEL (some folks at MPMS have been trained in their approach, including using Open Session). Includes very helpful suggestions about how to structure advisory/check ins with students, as well as list of ideas/resources

Resources to educate students (& yourself) about COVID-19

[Video by doctor at CDC](#) (5 minutes, for older students & adults)

[Just for Kids Comic](#) including [Zine version](#) (NPR)

[Speaking up against racism & coronavirus](#) (Teaching Tolerance)