

April 2, 2020

Dear Highland Primary Parents,

I hope that you and your family are doing well. As Mr. Sutton stated in his letter sent earlier this week, Illinois Gov. JB Pritzker announced that on-site learning for all Illinois Schools will remain suspended through April 30, 2020, to slow down the spread of COVID-19. Illinois will transition to Remote Planning /Learning days from Act of God days starting March 31. As stated by Mr. Sutton, the dates from March 17- April 30, will not be required to be made up.

During this time, our continued focus at Highland Primary will be on our commitment to learning. Our teachers are working hard to create learning opportunities to keep kids engaged covering the most important content moving forward.

The new requirements from ISBE allow us to assess and grade learning opportunities during this period with guidelines. Please continue to encourage your child to work hard and do the best that they can to complete work that has been assigned. The skills and knowledge gained during this time is essential to your child's future coursework. Our teachers will continue to connect with students through multiple avenues to help support and answer student questions and address their needs. All learning packets and written work will be collected when we return to school, so put it in a safe place!

We are sending out our third quarter report cards and progress reports tomorrow. Please be watching for them and let your teacher know if you receive them. These grades are from work completed at school and do not include any work done during the time away from school.

As we are adapting and making changes, please be patient. Please feel free to reach out to teachers and administrators with questions or concerns.

We will continue to communicate using multiple methods, but primarily contact will take place through email as well as our school website. Please make sure you check our website frequently for continued information. Our teachers are taking a "weekly attendance" on which families they've heard from; so please reach out to them in whatever way is convenient to you.

HP Website: <https://www.highlandcusd5.org/o/highland-primary-school>

Our Spring Break will still remain a break, so students will not be expected to have assignments from April 9 - April 12. Enjoy this time with your families and know that we love and care about each and everyone of you.

We all miss you very much! Stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Julie A. Korte