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District 117 Staff,

Our e-Learning website, <a href="http://bit.ly/d117elearning">http://bit.ly/d117elearning</a>, will explain the District 117 approach to our continuation of learning outside of our buildings during this unprecedented time. These resources are to help guide you and answer frequent questions when creating e-Learning experiences for your students in the coming weeks.

We are extremely proud of ALL of you and we have a high level of confidence in your ability to be flexible with your students while continuing to deliver a meaningful and engaging curriculum. It is important that you understand that we are all in this together. This situation is extremely fluid and moving incredibly quickly. Schools across the nation and the globe are faced with similar decisions and challenges. We are certainly not alone and if we could choose to slow down the rate at which we had to make these adjustments, we most certainly would.

It is important that you understand we have been collaborating with superintendents and agencies from across Lake County to coordinate the bulk of our planning and procedures. Consistency is key and a calm approach to this situation will ensure our continuity of learning.

Our instructional coaches and our technology department have announced some office hours next week. Check your email for those details. We want to make sure you have the most support possible going into e-Learning on Wednesday. We hope you take advantage of these resources if you need extra assistance. Again, if we could buy more time for these things to be implemented we would, but that is not our current reality.

Students may have left our buildings on Friday without some of the resources they need for the upcoming period of e-Learning, or they may have been absent this past week. We have informed our students and their families that **our buildings will be accessible on Monday and Tuesday only,** during regular school hours, for students to come in and grab anything they left behind or they may need to be successful starting Wednesday.

**Visitor Policy Changes**: We have communicated some visitor policy changes to our families. It is important that you understand we will be limiting visitors coming into our buildings. We take the safety of our staff and our students very seriously. We are encouraging phone or video conferencing as much as possible when parents or visitors try to arrange visits with you. However, we do realize there are still situations that require in-person visits. Please use your best judgment when making the decision to meet face-to-face with parents.

If you have any questions, please let us know. Our administrative staff will be in our buildings for the entire upcoming week. Contact your department chair or your principals for further clarification if needed.



