Dear Parents/Guardians,

On Wednesday August 19, 2020, our district will begin our Tier III Distance Learning approach. As this is a new school year, and much has changed, your child’s virtual online learning experience will be different this year. To ensure that we get off to a great start and get the opportunity to answer any of the questions you may have, we will be conducting a Beginning of the Year Orientation.

You will be receiving a call from the school on Monday August 17th to arrange your orientation time. We will ask if you would prefer to participate in orientation via Zoom video chat or in person at school. Orientation days are set for Wednesday August 19th - Friday August 21st.

We want to ensure everyone’s safety and follow COVID guidelines. Therefore, we ask that if you choose to come to the building, please only bring one student at a time with you.

We understand concerns of coming into the building so we will also have times set up on Zoom to provide students and parents with a back to school orientation. We will be sending out Zoom links to your email, so please be prepared to share your email address with us on Monday.

Please note the following for Tier III Distance Learning for the first quarter:

- Canvas and the Arapahoe School App will be our primary means communicating instructional information with students and parents. Some other sites that we will be using for our learning include LEXIA Reading and i-Ready Math. These links will be in Canvas and teachers will provide information regarding access to these sites.

- Daily attendance will still be taken during this time. You will be contacted the next day if your child does not complete any course the day prior. Please ensure that students log in daily and complete their full schedules. Tribal and State Truancy Rules will be in effect (10 day drop).

- To minimize potential exposure, our buildings will remain closed to the public aside from orientation days. Exceptions may be made for parent meetings that are arranged in advance by appointment.

Please remain patient throughout the Tier III Distance Learning experience. Although we are far better prepared, there are bound to be unexpected challenges that we can work together to resolve. We also want to emphasize that this method of instruction will likely change monthly.

Feel free to reach out to us with any questions, comments, or suggestions. We are here to make this a great school year! 😊

Respectfully,

Your Arapahoe Elementary School Teachers