MMW families,

I hope this message finds you well. I also hope this message finds you enjoying one another! When I think back to the beginning of the school year, whoever would have thought we would arrive at a point in time like this. While it is strange and unprecedented, I do feel great about the overall positive spirit of our community. I could not ask to be a part of a stronger, more supportive community.

Attached you will find a document that outlines the expectations for our students in their upcoming e-learning environment. Pete Dymit, the principal at MME, and I have worked through the document with teacher leaders to provide as much information to you as we can. We recognize that the upcoming learning environment will be different than what we are used to and it is our hope that this helps provide clarity.

Attached you will also find information regarding attendance for e-learning days. We want to ensure that all students are "in school" and benefitting from e-learning.

As we begin our new adventure with e-learning, we recognize that we will learn things that we will want/need to modify. Please watch for additional communications from me, especially in the early days after break for any updates. Or, maybe it will simply be a communication to say that everything is working perfectly!

To help get your child ready for e-learning, please spend some time with them reviewing the importance of having their iPad charged each morning, their learning station set up, and a sense of what their daily schedule will look like from home. In order to help their teachers, if possible, please have them use a picture of themselves (or an image of their name) for their Schoology Profile. This will be especially helpful for students who will be starting a new quarter class; their teachers do not know them yet. If there are tech issues, and you are not able to access the link for support, please call the main office at MMW and it will be redirected to the main switchboard (952-401-5300).

Our staff have been doing a great job preparing expectations, resources, and lessons to share with our students. They are committed to creating the best possible learning environment. I am very appreciative of the commitment they have made to high-quality learning. I can say with confidence that they are ready to keep the learning moving forward for all!

So, what do we want from our parents? We want you to continue to provide the love, guidance, and support to your children. We want you to help them set up their "school from home for e-learning" workplace. We want you to place clear expectations that they need to follow their school day by checking in on their Schoology courses and completing the assigned learning. We want you to support them in getting outside for fresh air and physical

activity. We want you to support them as they connect with their friends, in appropriate ways. And, we want you to be as excited as we will be when we are able to return to MMW.

Take care of yourselves and your families. I know that when we are able to return to MMW, we will do so with a fresh perspective of how valuable our time in school and our time together truly is. I am also certain that great memories will have been created from the time spent together with family. Enjoy the time together next week.

Take care, everyone!

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MMW Principal

Middle School E-Learning

MMW Attendance