

March 19, 2020

Dear Mastery Family,

Today the Mastery community had another successful meal distribution – 14,466 meals were distributed to nearly 5,000 families. Thank you to those who participated. The next meal distribution will be on Monday at 10am in Philadelphia and tomorrow (and Monday) at 10am in Camden. Mastery Strong!

At this point, though our closure is officially through March 27th, we expect the closure will go longer. We need to wait for guidance from local and state authorities before we can make that decision – we'll keep you posted. In the meantime, this note shares information about how you can log-in to the online resources we've organized for your child(ren).

Yesterday, I sent information about getting your child started on a regular daily reading routine. I hope that went well and you're ready to take the next step: accessing online content. Remember, the expectations of our Home Academic Practice Plan (HAP) is that your child spends three hours daily on reading, writing and other academics.

The attached PDF includes instructions on how to log in to Mastery's online learning platform and our resources. The best place to find all our information is on our website: masterycharter.org/HAP.

For tomorrow, your goal should be to log in to Mastery's online learning platform with your child(ren), begin browsing through each website, and check out the activities and information available. Feel free to select the activities of interest to you/your child. Ideally your child is engaging in activities that are familiar, yet challenging. We will be providing more specific recommendations for units of study in the coming days. For now, consider this as self-directed learning. Encourage your child to explore, engage and work hard!

If you don't have internet access, don't worry. We will be sending out hard copy materials in the second phase of our plan – that looks like it will happen during the week of March 30. You can also consider Comcast's <u>free internet</u> access for new customers (\$9.95/month after that).

Your child's teacher is eager to connect with them (and you). By the end of the day on Friday you should get a call from your child's teacher to see how they are doing and to provide support.

Finally, please take the opportunity to keep yourself connected to the Mastery community. Monitor ParentSquare and check out our <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> pages. In that spirit, check out this video message Mastery staff at Mann Elementary sent students <u>here</u>. And if you're at home this evening, show Cleveland Elementary students some support and cheer them on as

they compete on the trivia-based gameshow The ClassH-Room. The show airs at 6:30 p.m. on Fox 29.

Thank you for being our partner during this critical time.

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