

Update from the Middle School Division Head

March 22, 2020

Good evening St. Anne's MS Families!

I hope that you found time to relax, re-energize, and refresh yourselves during the weekend; the weather was beautiful.

Thanks to all of you who attended the MS Virtual Coffee Hour on Saturday morning. If you were not able to attend, no worries. The recording is available on the COVID-19 Updates page on the School's website along with lots of other good resources for learning and fun. Additional resources are on our SAES Tech Resources Site - it gets updated continually so be sure to bookmark it and visit every day.

Attached you will find two documents that I referred to during the MS Virtual Coffee Hour: Middle School Distance Learning FAQ sheet and the Distance Learning Guidelines for Middle School. I hope that these documents are helpful to you and your family as your middle schooler begins distance learning with St. Anne's on Wednesday, March 25, 2020.

Earlier this evening, I invited your child to the "Our MS Google Classroom" page. There they will find a video to watch and a short, 2-question survey to complete for me. The video briefly explains the schedule, Study Hall, and a few other pieces of information about getting started. I also do a quick overview of the MS Distance Learning Guidelines. Advisors and teachers will also be reviewing the guidelines/expectations this week with students and answering questions so that everyone in our learning community can be a productive contributor and collaborator.

If your child has questions, please encourage him/her to contact their advisor, classroom teacher, or me depending on their need. As I mentioned Saturday morning, middle school students are honing and sharpening their skills of self-awareness, independence, and personal responsibility. When you encourage your child to take their questions to their teachers and/or advisor, you are helping him/her build and strengthen these essential skills that are so important for learning, leadership, and citizenship.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me, your child's advisor, or the appropriate subject-area teacher. We are here to support you and your child in their learning and growth.

We may be apart but we are not disconnected. #WeAreHeronStrong
Onward!
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