



March 27, 2020

Dear BREC Students, Parents and Caregivers:

Our team at BREC has continued to work diligently throughout the extended spring break to develop alternative learning and student support plans in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and Governor Northam's decision on March 23, 2020 to close schools for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year.

School closures require new means for serving our students, and following spring break, our team will begin communicating with students and their families to adopt new home learning routines, teach our students how to access virtual platforms and to connect via phone and video with their teachers, as well as assist families with gaining access to paper materials and new activities they can complete at home. It is our goal to have all our students practicing and reinforcing skills that they have learned and to reconnect with their therapeutic support groups by April 9th.

Our school is working collaboratively with Warren, Rappahannock, Shenandoah, Frederick, and Page counties as they make decisions about how, and when, they will continue instruction for their students. It is our hope that each school division will continue to allow BREC to work remotely with our students and that on April 14th we can begin to offer new instruction through the fourth nine weeks (June 5th). These are decisions that we do not have the authority to make on our own and require agreements with each locality's Community Policy & Management Team. Additional information on our next phase of instruction, grading practices and other details will be communicated to you as our plans are finalized over the coming weeks.

We appreciate your support and efforts to remain connected with teachers while we develop plans for long-term school closures. We ask for your continued patience as we adjust to the new reality that we are all facing. Our team remains positive and we are looking forward to contacting you next week.

We wish you all health and wellness,

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Executive Director