

Dear U-32 parents,

With the Governor's announcement about the dismissal of schools through the end of the year, we now have the task of figuring out how we will provide continuity of learning for all of our students. Our teachers are working to build more robust on-line learning, while providing support for all our student learning needs. I also hear from you a range of experiences that you are having with your own children. Some of them are bored, some are struggling, and all of them are missing their friends and school. I will reinforce my earliest message about establishing some type of schedule and I would add that evenings and weekends, to the extent possible, be reserved for family activities and non-school time.

Some items of note:

1. I shared a [tutorial for using Google Calendars](#) that was created by our Librarian Meg Allison for students.
2. More information is in our [newsletter](#), please consider subscribing so you have the latest version as soon as we publish it.
3. Contact our school counselors, nurses, TAs or administration if you have any questions or needs.
4. We are distributing over 500 breakfasts and lunches each day. Kudos to our staff who prepare and deliver these meals. Contact Michelle Ksepka if your family needs to be added to our distribution. We welcome everyone to be a part of this service.

By the beginning of next week, we will be communicating our more comprehensive plan for what we will be teaching and how we will be assessing our progress in learning. I appreciate the feedback that we have been receiving about the things that work and that don't. We will use that information to help create our plan.

I appreciate the support that this community has shown for U-32 and all of us in central Vermont. We are going to learn many things during this time of social isolation. What I already know is that there is no place in the world I would rather be during this time. We are strong together even if we have to stay more than 6 feet apart.

Be well,
Steven