March 30, 2020

Dear KIPP Columbus Families:

As we shared earlier today, the Governor has announced that the mandatory school closure in Ohio is being extended until May 1st, and the closure could go beyond this date. We know that this potentially comes as challenging news, and we are so eager to have everyone return to campus --- but, we will continue to work through this together and do all we can to collectively keep our community as healthy and safe as possible.

A few additional updates:

- For the remainder of this week, teachers will be uploading daily/weekly activities and lessons through Class Dojo (K-8) and Google Classroom (9-12). Beginning the next week (April 6th), our website will be updated with daily lessons for every grade on campus; individual schools will be sharing this information with you directly as well. We have also created this Instructional Family Resource Guide that can also be found on our website.

- KIPP will be distributing computers and meals next Monday, April 6th from 7a-12p.
  - If you are unable to make this time because you are considered an essential worker or are unable to get to campus, please reach out to us at kippoffice@kippcolumbus.org (614-263-6137) and we make arrangements.

- If there is anything we can do to support you throughout this time please email covid@kippcolumbus.org or fill out this form.

Amongst the many things we have been able to do in partnership in just the past 2 weeks together, a few highlights:

- Distributed nearly 60,000 meals
- ~2,000 chromebooks are now in the hands of our students
- Remote learning opportunities have been launched in all grades and subjects
- We have been approved (in partnership with the YMCA) to operate a Pandemic Childcare Center in the Early Learning Center for the children of first responders, healthcare, and essential workers that could start as soon as this week.

If you have any ideas around how we can be an even stronger partner to you or our broader community, please contact us; we are determined and committed to do all that we can.

I’m thankful for you and so very proud of our collective KIPP team and family.

In partnership,

Hannah D. Powell
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