Dear QPS Students, Parents, and Guardians,

I am writing to share my thanks for your enthusiastic participation in this week’s launch of remote learning and the wave of communication from teachers, support staff, and administrators. The goal of this communication is let you know that QPS staff is here for you, whether it be on a computer screen or in a phone call or email. The Instructional Technology staff and school secretaries have also interacted with over 3,000 students to assist with accessing Google classroom and Aspen and distributed 500 Chromebooks. The School Nutrition staff have prepared and distributed 12,000 “grab and go” breakfasts and lunches to students in the last three and a half weeks. Our custodians have cleaned and sanitized all school buildings and continue to do so at the eight buildings used for food distribution and here at the Coddington Building.

A few updates for you as we approach the end of the week:

- **This Friday, April 10 is an observed holiday** on the Quincy Public Schools calendar (Good Friday). On that day, there will be no remote learning interactions with Quincy Public Schools staff. Remote learning will resume on Monday, April 13.

- **Breakfast and lunch will be available on Friday, April 10** from 11:00 am to noon at Atherton Hough, Lincoln Hancock, Clifford Marshall, Parker, Montclair, Snug Harbor, North Quincy, and Quincy High Schools.

- **New enrichment packets** will be available at the meal distribution sites on Tuesdays and Thursdays and posted on the QPS website ([www.quincypublicschools.com](http://www.quincypublicschools.com)).

- The Quincy School Committee will consider options for the **April vacation week** at their next scheduled meeting on Monday, April 13:
  - Continue Remote learning Tuesday, April 21 through Friday, April 24. (Monday, April 20 is Patriots Day, a state holiday.) The last day of school would be June 17. OR
  - Suspend remote learning for the week of April 20-24 and the last day of school will be June 23.

- **Important links to request technology support** from Quincy Public Schools:
  - To request to borrow a Chromebook for students in Kindergarten through Grade 12: [https://fs30.formsite.com/lauraowens/ytv0bhdb3g/index.html](https://fs30.formsite.com/lauraowens/ytv0bhdb3g/index.html)
  - To request assistance with Google classroom for students in Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 8: [https://fs30.formsite.com/lauraowens/cqbdw1ah6t/index.html](https://fs30.formsite.com/lauraowens/cqbdw1ah6t/index.html)
  - To request assistance with Aspen access: [https://fs30.formsite.com/lauraowens/niw8rlz9um/index.html](https://fs30.formsite.com/lauraowens/niw8rlz9um/index.html)
  - To request general IT assistance: [https://fs30.formsite.com/lauraowens/uryqyyf0bm/index.html](https://fs30.formsite.com/lauraowens/uryqyyf0bm/index.html)

Thank you and take care,

Richard DeCristofaro, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

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