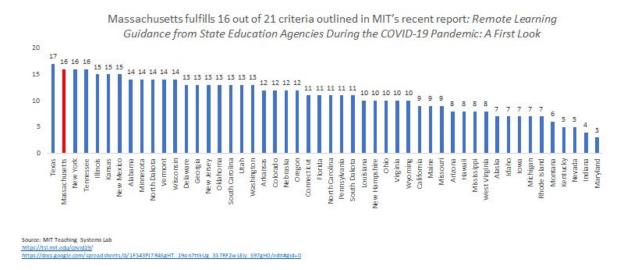
Dear Families:

The MIT Learning Systems Team has recently published a report that describes how our states are approaching remote learning that we thought you might be interested in browsing. This report, Remote Learning Guidance from State Education Agencies During the COVID-19

Pandemic: A Closer Look, has identified many of the key issues faced by our schools. The MIT Learning Systems Team has also identified Massachusetts as ranking second in the nation out of the 50 states with our approach to remote learning.

Massachusetts "ranks" second in nation on remote learning guidance using criteria from MIT's Teaching Systems Lab



Issues that the King Philip team have discussed extensively over the past month are also included in the MIT report such as: 1) response to state mandates to provide remote learning support to all students; 2) school outreach to families to eliminate barriers to learning 3) providing sample schedules or guidelines to help manage the learning at home 4) attention to a wide variety of needs such as where to find basic needs such as food and mental health support; and 5) attention to special populations. Examples of our KP responses within the categories identified by the MIT Learning Team are below.

Response to state mandates to provide remote learning support has included:

King Philip Frequently Asked Questions Document (last update: April 13)

7-12 Learning Resources (updates ongoing)

Special Education Resources (updates ongoing)

Middle School Expectations and Warrior Weekly

HS Emergency Remote Learning Plan- mid-page

School outreach to families to support access to learning

Need Assessment Survey- Tool used to determine access needs

<u>Distribution of Laptops to Students April 6</u> (Article Posted to KPBlog- April 8, 2020)

Providing Sample Schedules or Guidelines

Frequent HS Student and Parent Virtual Meeting Opportunities
Video Conferencing School District Recommended Protocols

Addressing Supports for Families with Needs (Food/Mental Health Related to COVID)

Family Resource Supports During Coronavirus- (updates ongoing)

Attention to Special Populations

Special Education Resources (updates ongoing)

Teacher and Teacher Assistant Support

Another outstanding article to read that our administrators have just reviewed is from Educational Leadership called <u>Keeping it Simple</u> that mentions things that school districts should keep in mind as we shift from building based to remote learning.

As the King Philip Regional School District, our focus is on making sure that our students have access to learning and are making educational progress. We encourage you to browse the MIT report, Remote Learning Guidance from State Education Agencies During the COVID-19

Pandemic: A Closer Look as it offers a comprehensive perspective on the work that the schools are doing.

We continue to wish all of our families well and look forward to a return to school!

Sincerely,

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