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Good Afternoon DHS Community:

The transition to distance learning has been a great adjustment for students, teachers, and administrators. The importance of staying on top of your children to ensure that they are working each and every day cannot be understated. Teachers have assigned 30 minutes of work per class per day that should be completed on that day. The teachers, school counselors and administration have been reaching out to parents if students have fallen behind. **We ask that you check your email for any correspondence from teachers, counselors, or building administrators every day.**

In addition, due to privacy issues, some teachers may be blocking their number when they reach out to you. If you see Caller ID Blocked, please know that it might be a teacher on the other end of the line.

Your child's attendance is being tracked by the work that he/she completes each and every day. It would be a shame if a child lost credit due to absences in this troubling time. It would only add to the frustration that we are all feeling now.

**On Monday, March 30th**, our teaching faculty will begin with new material. Teachers will present lessons through a multitude of methods including videos, Screencasts, and other media. Teachers may also make themselves available for "office hours" during the day if your child has any questions about the material. This may be done through Google Meet, which is a video chat room platform.

As it relates to student privacy (if not personal preference), if your child does not wish to be on camera, he/she has the ability to turn it off. Students are also able to mute their microphone and only turn it on if they have a question. Your children are still able to communicate with the teacher through District email and Google Classroom if they so choose. Our AP teachers will be holding live sessions due to the deadline that they have for material and the high stakes test that they must prepare for.

Several Junior students have reached out concerning Community Service. At this time, I want every student to worry about their school work right now! The due date for community service is at the end of May, so there is still time. Of course, we all understand that circumstances are different from a normal school year. We absolutely will take that into consideration when we decide on how we plan to proceed with the community service project. This should be the furthest thing on their minds right now.

I truly wish that this was my normal bi-weekly email; however, this is an unprecedented time. I hope that everyone stays safe and heeds the warnings from our Governor about social distancing and hygiene guidelines. I hope that we are back soon as seeing student's faces is the highlight of my day!

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me at [dfinkle@delranschools.org](mailto:dfinkle@delranschools.org).

With Bear Pride and Spirit,  
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