



**Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda
Union Free School District**

Franklin Elementary

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To: Franklin Parents & Guardians
From: Mrs. Evans, Principal
Regarding: Schools Remaining Closed
Date: May 4, 2020

Hello, Franklin families!

I hope that your family is healthy and well! As you know, Governor Cuomo made a decision to keep the schools closed for the remainder of the year. As both a principal and a mom, I understand that the school year ending abruptly may cause us to be rightfully concerned about the academic achievement, as well as the social emotional health of our children.

With that, I want to assure you that although we are no longer together inside of our school building, learning has and will indeed continue. Also know that our team of teachers and mental health specialists will continue to be here to support you. By now, your student(s) should have accessed our new extended learning platforms. Additionally, teachers are working diligently to review the results of the distance learning, provide feedback and stay connected to all students and families. On behalf of the teachers and myself, we wish to thank you for your support. We know that parents and guardians are providing the environment for the students to continue to learn and grow, and we very much appreciate your efforts during this difficult time.

See below for additional ways that we intend to stay connected.

- Meals are provided every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- In addition to assignments being posted, teachers will continue to ask all students to join their class virtually.
- Tech support continues to be available for students and families. Please email tech services at tech_services@ktufsd.org .
- We will continue to post updates on Facebook.
- We will work on a plan for the retrieval of personal belongings from one's locker, desk, and more. As of now, we are still under the Governor's pause order, until at least May 15th. More information to follow.
- We will work on a plan for virtual end of year events, Kindergarten screening and yearbook distribution. More information to follow.

Quality education at Franklin Elementary School provides all students the opportunity to learn to the best of their ability in a respectful, responsible, safe, and caring environment with high academic expectations for all.



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- Principal office hours to answer questions will start on May 6th. See the attached link to join the first set of office hours on May 6th at 5:00 PM.
<https://meet.google.com/epx-nhwi-qhi?hs=122>

Thank you again for all that you do! Please contact me at kevans@ktufsd.org, if you have any additional questions or concerns.

PS- Please remember to send a special message to your child's teachers this week, as it is teacher appreciation week. Take care and stay safe.

Sincerest Regards,

Mrs. Evans

Mrs. Evans, Principal