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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are truly in unprecedented times. I know and am aware how difficult the sudden closure of our schools is going to be on many of you. The district has directed teachers to provide as much online learning as we can for our students. This is by no means meant to replace the specially designed instruction students receive but rather to attempt to minimize any regression that may take place during the closure. That said, many of your students have very specific and individualized instruction that makes online learning a bit more of a challenge. Today I am sending home login information for each of your students to access MobyMax. MobyMax is a district approved online curriculum program that students can access to work on reading and math skills. Again, I realize for some students it may not be ideal to use but I want everyone to know they do have access if you choose to have your student access this program. In the coming days I will be working to develop materials to mail home that specifically target your student's individual IEP goals. This will take me a bit of time, so I ask for your patience as I work to develop and collect this material. I encourage you all to do what's best for your student and family. Anything I send home is not going to replace the classroom experience and instruction. Within my classroom we use a lot of Discrete Trial Teaching and Errorless Learning techniques. I know that many families do not have training in this type of instruction. Therefore, I wanted to let you know that it is not my expectation for you to complete the work I send home but I do want you to have access to the materials if you so choose to use them. If you have any questions or need anything related to your child's IEP goals, feel free to email me and I will get back to you as soon as possible. I check my email very frequently. Most importantly though, take care of yourselves and your families. I am looking forward to when this is all over and we can get back to our normal routines and delivery of instruction.

Sincerely,

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