

Wednesday, April 1, 2020: District email

District families and staff members,

We continue to appreciate the flexibility being displayed by all staff members and families during this time. Our first few days of distance learning have been memory-makers, with our staff, students and families embarking on this new learning adventure together.

Thank you all for the part you have played in making this work, and a special thank you to the technology team for working tirelessly to ensure families have what they need to make distance learning a success. Some fun information the Tech Team recently shared is that yesterday we had 1,737 total Google meets, with 9,729 users and 5,332 students joining conversations in that way. A total of 4,220 hours were spent connecting remotely! The team continues to follow up to get all families access to the internet via hotspots as well.

We have moved away from the daily district emails during this distance learning period when more regular communication is happening with your teachers and principals, but we wanted to check in today and provide a reminder of some important information:

- [White Bear Essential Community Care - Tier 1 & Tier 2 Childcare request form](#)
- [WBLAS Free Meal Questionnaire](#)
- [Free Bear Care Health & Wellness Clinic](#)
- [Support Hub](#)

I hope you all have sensed the connectedness felt within the community these last few weeks, undoubtedly due in a large part to the efforts of all of you. I have been contacted with multiple stories about White Bear Lake Area Schools staff members and families stepping up to help in these uncertain times.

Be proud, Bears!

Sincerely,

Dr. Wayne Kazmierczak, Superintendent