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Dear Parents and Families,

We welcomed back both students and staff this week after a restful spring break. With another week of distance learning under our belts we continue to fine tune this new model of instructional delivery. In order to better meet your child's needs during this remote learning time we will be sending out a short survey to you early next week. This is an opportunity for you to provide your feedback on the distance learning plan from your perspective. Tell us what works well and what needs to be adjusted for the experience to improve for you and your child. I encourage you to take a few minutes to complete the survey which will inform us as to what timely adjustments need to be made to instruction and assessment over the following weeks. Currently the governor has extended the distance learning through May 20th although there is a strong possibility it will be extended beyond that date. Should that date officially change we will let you know immediately.

Next week several paraprofessionals will be assigned to case managers and classroom teachers to assist students who may need support with organization, planning, and time-management. Also, remember our outstanding classroom teachers and building administrators are always ready to work with you to make sure your child is successful in the virtual classroom setting.

Every weekday, the Food Service Team continues to serve breakfasts and lunches for those in need at Stonington High School. The appreciative recipients are growing in number with over 200 families benefiting from the program. I want to acknowledge the standout work of our custodial and maintenance staff who are cleaning and sanitizing town facilities in addition to the school buildings.

The IT Department has expanded their service hours and will be available by appointment on Mondays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. to assist students who are experiencing hardware issues with their devices. To schedule an appointment, please call the IT Department secretary, Heather Lebovitz at 860-572-0506 ext. 2154 for assistance.

Thank you for your continued patience and support. Stay well.

Sincerely,

Dr. Van Riley
Superintendent

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