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Dear Parent/Caretaker/Guardian:

We completed our 5<sup>th</sup> week of remote learning! Hopefully, Spring break the previous week provided a little rest from technology and schedules. As we begin our 6<sup>th</sup> week of remote learning, we want to ensure you that each of our students continues to have access to high-quality curriculum and assignments. We are thinking and planning ahead for a variety of possibilities. The CABI administration Team has been attending The Department of Education (DESE) and The Massachusetts Association of 766 Approved Private Schools (**maaps**) meetings weekly and we will continue to provide you with updates on remote learning, school closures, and openings.

We will maintain distance learning through June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 per Massachusetts Governor Baker. We thank you for all your support and time during these most difficult times. As we continue to provide remote learning your support is needed to ensure the success of our efforts. Remote Learning Plans (RLP) have been emailed home and to your student's district. RLP's can be adjusted over time, based on discussions, data and observations from classroom staff and families. We will continue to consult with you and with your students' team to provide productive remote learning. Please take the time to review your child's remote learning plan and feel free to follow up with the CABI staff with questions and/or concerns.

CABI is working closely with the school districts with regards to Individualized Educational Program (IEP) meetings. We will collaborate with families and the school district with information on hosting an IEP/progress meeting using a social media platform. Progress reports will be based on the current data and data collected prior to the COVID-19 closure. Progress reports will continue to be issued quarterly to families and the school districts. Thank you for your support in implementing, collecting, and maintaining data from home with the support from the CABI Team.

As you may already know, the CABI website and resources are updated and we have added the "Nurse's Corner to the website. Nurse Courtney will provide a weekly newsletter and helpful tips and activities to support healthy living. In addition to all the great activities and academics that are being provided, Ms. Maria will be offering weekly art classes. Stay tuned for the upcoming schedule!

Our goal is to continue to provide continuous and consistent education and possibilities. Please continue to share wonderful pictures of CABI students at home and hard at work. The connections between home and school are vital during this time. We care and will share and together we will make memories that will last a lifetime.

Friday May 8, 2020 is a Professional Development day for the CABI staff and there will be no access to remote learning. Please contact your classroom team or administration for support.

Stay Strong! Stay Healthy!

Best Regards,

Melissa Belsito

Coordinator of Student Services