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New Bedford Public Schools learning packets

New Bedford Public Schools began preparations regarding Covid-19 well ahead of Governor Baker’s announcement to close schools through April 7th. This work included being extra vigilant with our cleaning methods at all buildings and being proactive in assembling packets for the potential of in-home learning. The links to these learning packets, sorted by grade, can be found on our website homepage at www.newbedfordschools.org. Additionally, hard copies are available for pick up for all NBPS students at one of our 7 “Grab & Go” schools: Campbell, Carney, Gomes, Hay-mac, Lincoln, and Keith & Roosevelt Middle Schools.

In times of uncertainty, it can be helpful for children to have some structure to their days. Many experts recommend adults help children to spend time doing a variety of activities when they are home for many days at a time. Those activities might include the following:

- Active time for movement and exercise
- Reading (child reads, is read to by someone else, or reading is done together)
- Creative play (building, acting/pretend play, drawing, painting)
- Reflection (talking with an adult, writing in a journal)
- Social / Interactive play (board games, card games, songs, riddles)
- Something helpful around the house / chores
- Grade Specific Learning Activities (the packets sent from school)
 - o ELA-directions accompany the packet
 - o Math-1 to 3 pages per day

“We appreciate your support to keep learning alive during these uncertain times. In addition, we recommend that students’ screen time (video games, television, movies,

handheld, cellphone) be monitored, and students continue with regular sleep habits and schedules.” said Deputy Superintendent Karen Treadup.

We’d also like to note that the Nurses Office at all NBPS schools will be open on Thursday, March 19th 8AM- 12PM for prescription retrieval. If this time is inconvenient for you, please contact your child’s school.

Finally, as a reminder, our Grab & Go breakfast & lunch meals are available for all students 18 and under. It is not necessary to be an enrolled student at NBPS to participate in this program. Meals & work packets may be picked up at ANY of the 7 participating locations, not the school that your student normally attends.

Thank you for your support in keeping our students safe, healthy and learning. Please continue to monitor our website and media outlets for updates if the situation changes.

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