



Greetings Northrop families! I'm writing to share an update on our distance learning program and one exciting opportunity with you.

First and foremost, families, we miss you all! We miss seeing your kids in our classrooms every day, and getting to see so many of you at drop off, dismissal and during school events. This is a new experience for all of us, and please know your HLAN staff is in it with you.

I'm happy to share that we have launched our distance learning program on Seesaw, and I want to thank so many of you for helping get your child get online and started with their learning. If you need any assistance getting online or accessing Seesaw, please contact the main office so we can assist you. We will continue to add and adjust our lessons in the coming weeks with a focus on supporting your students academic and social growth at home.

Beginning each day at 9am on Seesaw, you can expect your child to get lessons in a morning meeting, reading, math, specials classes. Your child's teacher will respond to your student's work and provide them with meaningful, engaging activities. I encourage you to join your child for a lesson and see what they are learning.

In addition, we know there is nothing more important than supporting a child's love and skill with reading, and so I encourage you to use this unique time to support strong reading habits for your student at home. Have your child read independently using the books our teachers are sharing online, read a book with them, or have them read with a sibling! Developing a love for independent reading will bring a lifetime of joy and opportunity to our students, and so if there is anything I or our teachers can do to support this, please let us know!

Before we go, I need your help, Northrop! We plan to open a new specialist classroom for our students from K-7 next year, and we want to hear from you about what you are interested in. Currently, we offer our students music, art, physical education and Spanish. [Click here to take a very brief survey](#) and let us know what else you would like to see offered to our students!

We hope that you and your family are well during this time, and please know we are here for you. If there is anything you need during this time in terms of learning support, food support or tech support, please reach out. We are all in this together and together we will get through this.

On Behalf of the HLAN Team,

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