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Dear Parents, Students, and Staff,

Thank you to all for your hard work and perseverance this year. It is a true testament to the powerful spirit of our community that we have come so far together during these challenging times.

Midway into the second quarter, we continue to introduce and reinforce important skills and concepts in mathematics, literacy, and other content areas. We urge students to read independently or with family members and to access various intervention and enrichment opportunities during the break as a way to stay engaged and continue their academic development.

As you know, the Superintendent has directed that all staff and students take their devices home over the break. Students can, therefore, access the applications listed below through their Clever accounts by selecting the Clever icon from the District's student page, located [here](#). If you are unfamiliar with Clever, ask your child for a tutorial; you'll be amazed by what they know!

- Moby Max provides opportunities for students in grades K-9 to practice math skills assigned by their teacher. Students can also complete the online placement test to access activities that reinforce necessary foundational skills.
- IXL provides students in Algebra I with opportunities to practice relevant algebra skills assigned by their teacher. Students can also complete the online IXL diagnostic assessment to access activities that reinforce necessary foundational skills.
- All students are encouraged to read daily. Students in grades K-12 can access myON, a database of diverse, digital texts.
- Lexia provides students in grades K-12 targeted intervention activities to support continued literacy development.
- Many of our textbooks are also available online through Clever.

In addition, students can access Schoology, our online learning management system. Teachers can use Schoology to share digital resources, materials and assignments. PreK students can also access their Building Blocks accounts to have fun with mathematics. There are additional activities provided on the PreK [homework calendar](#), which is located on the District website. Furthermore, students registered in Advanced Placement (AP) courses can access AP Classroom to watch brief, topic-based videos about specific content and skills or to complete teacher-assigned practice activities. Parents and guardians are also strongly encouraged to access Parent Portal to receive timely information about their students' grades. Information about how to register for Parent Portal is available [here](#).

Thank you for your continued support and investment in seeing every student succeed academically.

Sincerely,

Anne Botticelli
Chief Academic Officer

"Putting children and families first to ensure high academic achievement for all."