



Westerly Mobile Learning Extended

Dear Westerly Families,

We hope this email finds your family healthy and that your children are actively engaged at home in their first week of mobile learning. Here are two important updates for you about the weeks ahead:

Westerly students will continue with mobile learning through the week ending Friday, April 3rd. With our normal spring break currently scheduled to begin the following week, we remain hopeful that events will unfold in such a way as to allow Westerly, and K-12 students across California, to return to their campuses later in April. As you undoubtedly know, however, events continue to change rapidly and Westerly faculty are preparing for a longer time away from campus should that become necessary.

Keeping this in mind, parents will be receiving an email tomorrow to survey your feedback on the first week of mobile learning. Your experience from this week's mobile learning experience is vital and important to us. Two days into the program, we have already problem-solved a few technical glitches and heard from several families that engaging with school from home has provided some semblance of normalcy and comfort. Our entire Westerly team of educators are actively developing enhancements for next week, including an expansion of the synchronous learning time with teachers and peers, while remaining aligned with CAIS standards. Our goal is to meet our students' educational needs and socio-emotional health through these challenging times.

Last but not least, we want you to also know that at present, **Westerly has not been notified of any diagnosed COVID-19 cases at school.** So that you are aware of the formal procedures in place, Westerly would be advised and then act on the recommendations of the County and/or City Health Department as warranted.

As parents here at Westerly, we both understand the pressure and stress that school and community closures put on families as well as that no computer, tablet or monitor can ever truly replace the sense of what it means to actually "be" together at school. Please know that we and the Westerly faculty are on this journey with you and remain accessible and dedicated to stewarding your children throughout these extraordinary days.

In partnership,

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Dr. Lauren Plant
Head of School