



SEABURYSCHOOL
EDUCATION WITH THE BRAKES OFF

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Dear Seabury families:

Last Monday, Gov. Jay Inslee announced that public and private schools in Washington will remain closed for the rest of the school year due to the COVID 19 pandemic. While it wasn't necessarily unexpected news, it was a real blow to all of us who love our Seabury family and miss being together so much. We know that our kids wish they could be at school. And teachers and staff miss our students more than we can express.

We want to assure you that we are committed to using all of the creativity and resources at our disposal (and you know we are creative people at Seabury!) to make sure that our kids have the highest quality distance-learning possible for the rest of this year and as long as it takes.

Now that we know that we won't be on our campuses the rest of this school year, we have a few new things to work out. We are currently making plans for:

- Library book drop off day
- Cubby and clocker clean outs
- Jacket and other personal item pickups

- Eighth grade graduation
- Yearbook delivery
- And more!

Our staff continues to learn more every day about how best to meet the needs of our students in a virtual classroom setting. As they discover more about individual student and family circumstances during distance learning, they are better able to tailor expectations and opportunities to meet the needs of individual kids – just like they do at school.

Know that our commitment as we navigate Distance Learning – Seabury Style, is the same as when we are together: To provide the highest quality education designed to support our gifted students' intellectual, social, and emotional growth. We remain committed to providing engaging learning experiences, advanced curriculum, and differentiation that tailors learning to meet individual needs.

We value each and every one of you. When we return to school, we want to be able to do it safely. As I told our kids when we let them know we would be moving to learning from home, this is the biggest community service project any of us have ever been involved in. So, we will serve our community by doing school differently for a bit longer. We know it won't be easy, and we long for the day when we are together again. But we've got this!

Missing you all every day.

**In service,
Sandi Wollum
Head of school**