

## March 12, 2020

Dear Harford County Public Schools Family Members:

As a result of the school closings due to COVID-19, HCPS created a list of recommended learning experiences to maintain your child's education during the closure. Included in this packet are the following:

- 1. Recommended Learning Activities for your child; and
- 2. Consideration for Accommodations Across All Grade Levels
  - Recommended accommodations are for children with learning differences. Please tailor the recommended assignments to meet the style and needs of your child.

Please note the following:

- 1. The purpose for these activities is to maintain skills previously taught to your child. All activities focus on literacy with options in other academic areas. As such:
  - a. Your child has brought home book(s) from school to support these activities.
  - b. Please read the book(s) with your child each day. For chapter books, break the text into several chapters of reading per day.
- 2. Please encourage your child to complete activities. Upon return, children will have the opportunity to share their learning experiences.
- 3. HCPS will send additional communication and activities for your child should school closures extend beyond March 27, 2020.

In addition to your recommended learning experiences, if your family has Internet access and a device, the following sites may be beneficial to extend your child's learning experience.

## Sites for Elementary Students

Site	URL
Harford County Public Library Children's Digital Library	https://hcplonline.org/childrensdigital.php
Starfall	https://www.starfall.com/h/
Read, Write, Think	http://www.readwritethink.org/
News ELA	https://newsela.com/
Open Middle: Math Problems Worth Solving	https://www.openmiddle.com/
Thought Provoking Puzzles for Math	www.wodb.ca

## Sites for Secondary Students

Site	URL
Harford County Public Library Children's Digital Library	https://hcplonline.org/childrensdigital.php
Read, Write, Think	http://www.readwritethink.org/
News ELA	https://newsela.com/
Desmos	www.desmos.com
Open Middle: Math Problems Worth Solving	https://www.openmiddle.com/
Thought Provoking Puzzles for Math	www.wodb.ca
TED Talks	https://www.ted.com/talks
National Geographic	https://www.nationalgeographic.com/
Duolingo: World Language	https://www.duolingo.com/
Fluent U: World Language	https://www.fluentu.com/

## **Sites for Parents**

Site	URL
Maryland State Department of Education - This link will provide additional information regarding learning standards in all grade levels and subject areas.	