DEAR QUAKER FAMILY:

I hope you and your family are safe and well. Parents, on behalf of our entire staff we want you to know that you and your child are truly missed! During our time away from each other, teachers along with staff have been dedicated to finding innovative ways to support your student’s academic and emotional needs. We are all looking forward to the day we can return to our beautiful school and greet each Quaker with a smile and handshake.

Seniors, we are so very proud of you. Your ability to stay positive and focused on completing your final year of high school is second to none. We are amazed to see your display of social media savvy and creativity as you constantly remind the world that you are the proud class of 2020. Seniors, we humbly thank you for showing us there is always a silver lining in every challenging situation if you look for it.

You and I — in fact, our entire school district and community — are going to continue finding our way together during the coming weeks. The good news? We’ve got a solid plan in place to ensure your student can keep learning, and the on-line learning options through APEX along with the SEL (Social Emotional Learning) activities, which are also provided online will be an important part of what we accomplish over the next six weeks.

Not only will we be continually reaching out with learning material and resources for your student, we’ll also be providing personalized, one-on-one contact on a regular basis. Your student can expect to hear from his/her teachers not less than twice each week by phone, email, or any other method you choose. We know these times aren’t easy, so we’re going to work with you to make sure our services are customized to your family’s needs.

Please be sure to visit http://www.lansingschools.net/parents/continuity-of-learning/

The link shares our Continuity of Learning Plan along with the following resources:

- Student and Parent Guide for On-Line Learning
- Student Vue Learning Option Selection Instructions. Students have three options: APEX Supplemental Learning, Teacher Led Instruction, or “Taking a G.”
- APEX Supplemental Learning eCodes and Enrollment Instructions (Option 1 Students)
- Grades 9-12 Daily Schedule (Option 2 Students)
- Information for students who passed a class but don’t want their grade to affect their GPA (Option 3 “Taking a G” Students)
- Internet Access Flyer

Students in ALL grades should complete the Continuity of Learning Options Survey to determine what their learning path will be April 28 – June 5th. All students will receive an email notification beginning April 23rd to prompt students to complete the survey. It is important to understand that this time period of learning will be an opportunity for growth and expansion of skills. It will not be a time of punitive measures. It is extremely important that students and their families understand the options.

Thank you for being flexible during these uncertain times. It can be hard to feel like we’re ‘dreaming big’ right now when so many of us are feeling financial and emotional strain. But our shared dream for a brighter, more prosperous tomorrow is still there and, with a little planning, flexibility and imagination, we’re going to keep it growing.

Again, please let our teachers or my office know how things are going and where we need to adapt. I can be reached via phone at (517) 755-1051 or email at: marcelle.carruthers@lansingschools.net

Sincerely,

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