March 16, 2020

Dearest Mathematicians,

When we leave here today, I know you will step up and be the best you can be while we are away from the building. I ask that you follow through with the expectations of ALL your classes. This will be different, but it will definitely be doable.

Remember to wake up as if you were attending school, so as not to disturb your body's school routine. Although not physically in the building, all teachers will be operating on a school-day schedule anyway. So, please pay attention to given deadlines and meeting times.

For my classes, we will meet on Zoom - Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. The times per class are as follows. Period 1/2 will meet at 8:45AM. Period 3/4 will meet at 9:45AM. And period 5/6 will sign on at 10:45AM. All sessions will run between 30 -45 minutes, depending on the day's lesson/assignment(s). Please sign in 5 minutes before start time. Attendance **WILL** be taken; and participation will also count.

Tuesdays and Thursdays, you will not be required to be on Zoom. However, you will be required to sign in on Google Classroom and complete a "Do Now" at the same times listed above for attendance. The "Do Now" **MUST BE DONE ON TIME** to be marked present for the day. On time means, it must be turned in 10 minutes after start time. This **DOES NOT** mean we will not communicate on those days at all. You may be asked to go on IXL or Carnegie, while I monitor you live from the respective sites. Or you may have another assignment to do on your own.

I will try my best to make it like "school." You will sometimes get the opportunity to work with your groups online as well. All I ask is that you stay focused. There is no room for discipline in a distance learning environment. So please be respectful of EVERYONE.

In terms of office hours, where you can **definitely** get assistance with assignments or just ask questions... I will be available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; 1PM – 3PM to answer questions that were not addressed during our class session. Tuesdays and Thursdays, office hours will be 9AM-11AM and 1PM-3PM. Outside of those times, if you need something, as always, reach out to me on **REMIND**. As in the past, I will do my best to respond.

Your first day of Distance Learning will be tomorrow, March 17. Talk to you soon. And remember, "No excuses. Just results." You can do this! Yes, all of you!

Regards,

Ms. Mondestin

"Complacency is the enemy of excellence."