



# OXFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

*“Sailing Towards Success”*

March 25, 2020

Dear Staff, Parents, Guardians, and Students:

I am sure that by now many of you are aware that Governor Baker has extended school closings across the state through the end of April with schools not able to open any sooner than **Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>**. While we recognize that this will continue to pose challenges and hardships for families, his decision was made out of an abundance of precaution and on medical information.

We want to assure parents and guardians that our administrative team has already begun discussions about what teaching and learning will look like should the closing be extended beyond the initial three weeks. The team will be meeting (virtually) this week and early next week to finalize what we call “Phase 2” of an extended learning plan for all Oxford students. More specific details will be forthcoming from my office as well as from each Building Principal. In the meantime, your child/children has/have enrichment learning packets through April 6<sup>th</sup>.

I also anticipate that the Commissioner will be coming out with more guidelines relating to such topics as grading, MCAS, and competency determination for seniors. There are still many educational unknowns both at the state and local levels. However, as “unknowns” become “knowns” I will share them with you.

Finally, the Oxford Public Schools’ staff are your partners through this unprecedented and uncharted time in public school education. We are here to assist, to answer questions, and to problem solve, as needed. In the meantime, please feel free to contact me with any questions that you may have at [knash@oxps.org](mailto:knash@oxps.org).

Please stay safe and healthy.

With Warmest Regards,

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