



Friendship Insider Iss. 78 - What's My Mission?

January 18, 2021

Learning Model: Remote Learning w/Supports

Hello Friendship Academy Families,

As we reflect on the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr I am reminded of one of my favorite quotes, "Intelligence plus character- that is the true goal of education." Our mission at FAA is to educate the whole child where they are not only intelligent, but possess the character to be great servant leaders as our scholars grow.

This week we will be asking our staff and scholars to craft a mission statement that will demonstrate what they want to accomplish by the end of the year. Effective mission statements helps maintain the focus of our learning and is a part of Habit 2: Begin with the end in mind. As we continue to work through the uncertainty of the rest of the year, our individual and collective mission will help up to stay focused on our goal of educating children to be Confident, Competent, and Creative Citizens.

Thanks to everyone who attended the Family Involvement meeting and for all of your feedback as it really informed our decisions on how to return to in person learning. This week's meeting will give you the opportunity to ask any questions you may have. Please see below for the recording of the meeting and the slide deck. Also below you will see important dates and other related information as it relates to returning to in person



Key Dates

January 19th

Remote Learning with In person supports resume. These are the same students that were in person prior to the break. Families that are currently on the waitlist will be contacted accordingly. If you would like return to in person earlier that your grade's scheduled date please fill out this form to be added to the waitlist.

[In Person Supports Wait List](#)

January 25th: All staff begin to work in person.

January 25th - 5pm

Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

meet.google.com/oit-ibny-agd

Join by phone

(US) +1 530-777-0311 PIN: 691 920 671#

January 28th and 29th - Professional Development/Planning Days

No live classes for Scholars

February 1st: K-3 returns in person

February 8th: Grades 4-5 return in person

February 16th: Middle school returns in person

February 26th: Annual Wax Museum

learning. Please look for more communication in the coming days and weeks with more details. We thank you for your trust and partnership and look forward to continuing our great work together.

Looking forward to working with you this week. #friendshipstrong

Dr. B. Charvez Russell

Reminders

Uniforms

Starting February 1st the scholars will be expected to dress according to the uniform policy. Please refer to the **STAR Family Handbook** on page 11 for the uniform policy.

Water Bottles

As a part of our safety protocols water fountains will not be used so all scholars will need a water bottle. There will be some additional water bottles available but asking scholars to bring their own if the school issued one can not be located.

Headphones

All scholars are expected to have headphones to maximize their experience in class and minimize distractions. If school issued headphones cannot be located we are asking scholars to bring their own.

Charging Devices

Please ensure devices are fully charged each day. This helps minimize the need to charge devices throughout the day and the misplacement of chargers.

Helpful Links and Information

[Return to In Person Family Involvement Meeting Recording](#)

[Return to In Person Learning Family Involvement Meeting Slides](#)

[2nd Trimester Enrichment Choices Link](#)

Daily School Schedule

8:15-8:55 Freedom School Virtual Book Club

9:00 - 9:55 - Enrichment

10:00-4:15 - Core instruction

We are accepting applications in grades K-8th for the Fall 2021 so please encourage all interested families to visit

www.friendshipacademy.org to enroll.



Keep it up, Minnesota!

-  1 Wash your hands
-  2 Get tested when sick
-  3 Stay 6 feet from others
-  4 Wear a mask
-  5 Stay home when able

STAY SAFE MN

Coaching

If you or your scholar have not connected with your coach please e-mail school@friendshipacademy.org

Feedback, questions, suggestions, and concerns

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Deliveries

If you need any items delivered please contact the office or e-mail

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