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Dear District 118 Families,

Due to the unexpected closure of schools four days before our Spring Break, we felt it was important to provide supplemental learning activities for our District 118 students. Included with this letter are a few learning suggestions to support your family as we practice social distancing for the next two weeks.

Enclosed please find a sample daily schedule, simple home activities that will keep student skills’ sharp, and a few “just plain fun” activities that can keep your families occupied for the next two weeks.

Learning takes place in so many ways beyond the traditional classroom setting. Questioning, thinking, exploring, discovering, writing, reading, drawing, and even playing, provide us with many valuable learning experiences. Spending time with each other in conversation and play can be an effective method of practicing academic skills. Family members are often a child’s first teacher. Consider taking this unprecedented event as an opportunity to unplug, regroup, talk, and enjoy the most important people in your lives.

Please feel free to email me (buntonm@danville118.org) as I will be happy to provide any support you might need as we sharpen our academic skills at home.

Thank you for your partnership as we navigate this new territory!

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