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Hello Students!

Some of you I know very well and some of you not so well, but I am thinking about each and every one of you during this time. I am the Founder of Learning Works Charter School and technically the Superintendent or Principal depending on whatever lingo the state is using. As you know schools have been asked to keep students at home and work with them from a distance. Spring Break is next week (March 30 – April 3). Starting Thursday and even during Spring Break, the school in Pasadena will be open from 10:00-2:00 in order to keep open our textbook room and our pantry that we have started with food and other supplies for our families. First Street will be closed. The Pasadena textbook room and pantry is available to all of our students, no matter where you live.

School will be back in session April 6th with the same rules, work at home on your modules. This will continue all the way through May 1st at this point. Teachers and chasers will be working from home. Work directly with your teacher and chaser to get work and submit it. If you do not have an email address, let your teacher know and we can give you one. You will mostly likely need one during this time. Spectrum is offering free internet services.

We are especially concerned with Seniors who have only 45 credits or fewer to graduate. We want you to graduate! We need those modules! We will be modifying the experiences like fieldtrips and labs to complete classes in this next Learning Period so this is the time to hit the books and projects. Let us know if you need supplies for your projects!

We are all here for you! We are praying for your health, the health of your family and hoping you do not experience too much financial stress. These are very strange times. We all have never experienced anything like this. We realize you are stressed and possibly fearful of the unknown. However, right now, many of you have nothing but time—so hit the books. Open your textbooks every day. Make good habits and use the time wisely. We will still be chasing you down my friends.

Also, I want to remind you how important it is to wash your hands all the time and keep your distance from people. Keep your surfaces like tables, phones, steering wheels clean. This virus can live on surfaces for 72 hours. It does not like soap. You may be saying to yourself, I am young. I'll be okay. Many of you live with older relatives, like grandparents or medically fragile people. These are the people dying of the virus. They
are at risk. You could pass it to them. So please, please, please take this seriously and wash your hands and keep distance.

We will be posting information on the Learning Works Charter School on our Facebook page, Instagram, and Website. Please follow our updates. Keep virtually connected to us, but especially your teacher and chaser.

Be well! This too shall pass.

Love, Mikala L. Rahn