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Dear King Parents and Students,

I hope that this letter finds you and your families safe and healthy. First, I want to say thank you for all your support during this challenging time. We appreciate the assistance you've given us in getting your students participating in the online distance learning process. The district reports that 98.3% of King students have been working online at least one time since we got out of school on March 13. That is excellent and we know this has been a partnership between students, parents and teachers. We could never have done this alone. This is a true reflection of our school and our community working together through a very difficult time and we thank you!

Sadly, we will not be returning to school before the end of the year and while this is unfortunate, health and safety must be the priority. Spring Break is scheduled for April 6-10 and we fully expect students to enjoy some time away from their online assignments. However, when we return on April 13 distance learning will resume and continue until the school year officially ends on May 22. The purpose of distance learning is to positively impact your student. It is not intended to be punitive. Please continue to encourage your student to complete assignments and reach out to their teachers as needed.

Please check the school website (<https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/king>) for the schedule that begins after spring break. We are making some changes, adding more interactive days with teachers and more project-based activities to do at home to increase more individual creativity on the part of the students. We are giving them more opportunities to use their voice in their learning.

I know we have asked a lot from you during the last two weeks and again please know that we do appreciate all your efforts and support. Please take some time during the break to relax, rejuvenate and get ready, as we move into the final weeks of the year. Updates will be provided as we are informed of new developments in the district.

Educationally yours,

Paul Brown
