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Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians,

As we prepare for the year, we would like to share important information that will help to make this transition smoother for our students who are choosing to be remote learners at this time.

The online learning will be different than it had been in the spring of 2020. This year teachers will be delivering their instruction in real time. There will be no packets being mailed home. Your internet service will need to be maintained for the duration of the remote learning that you have chosen for your child at this time. You may pick up all materials and computers from school on Monday, August 24, 2020 between the hours of 1:00pm and 6:00pm in front of the MPR.

If at any time you would like your child to return to school for in person learning, please call your administrator to guide you in this process.

Online learning at home will take place in one of two formats. Every effort should be made to learn in the synchronous format, but we understand that circumstances may require asynchronous learning from time to time.

- **Synchronous learning** means that your child will be actively participating with the rest of their classmates for the duration for each lesson. Real time lessons will be videoed. The interactions from students both home and in the classroom will be recorded.
- **Asynchronous learning** will allow your child to view the lessons at a later time, during the same day that the lessons have taken place. Assignments will be due as if students were present for the synchronous learning.

Attendance each day will be taken in two ways, by the parent and then the student. Your child will be counted as in attendance for the day after you submit an attendance form that will be accessible from the SVRCS website and filled out and submitted by you. This must be done each day by 8:30 am. This is a confirmation that your child will be in attendance for all classes that day.

Open lines of communication and being proactive will be key to the educational success of your child. Your child's team includes you, your child, their teachers, special education services, and administrators. If at any time you need assistance, please contact your child's teacher(s) and/or Mrs. Hampton (dhampton@svracs.org), Mr. Stugart (bstugart@svracs.org) or Ms. Doyle (cnixon@svracs.org) so that the issue will be resolved quickly and your child does not fall behind. Technical assistance can be accessed through the Technical Support Request Link on the SVRCS website. You may also call the main office if you prefer. (570) 725-7822.

For further information concerning procedures pertaining to attendance, parents' and students' expectations and roles for remote learning, please refer to the three additional handouts that are accompanying this letter.

Educationally yours,

Darice Hampton, Elementary Principal

Brian Stugart, Secondary Principal