CHARTER SCHOOL

April 24, 2020

Dear Charter Families,

I hope that this letter finds you and your loved ones healthy. These are challenging times and the Charter School will make every effort to keep families informed of important updates. On Monday, we learned from Governor Baker that all schools in the Commonwealth would be closed for the remainder of the school year. We will continue to provide meaningful educational opportunities through the MVPCS Remote Learning Plan. This Remote Learning Plan is designed:

- To promote *RELEVANCE*: Are we creating meaningful learning opportunities?
- To maintain *RELATIONSHIPS*: Are we encouraging social bonds between teachers and students?
- To provide *RELIEF*: Are we supporting our Charter School community (students, teachers and families) in this time of uncertainty and stress?

In light of the extended closure, we have updated this plan. We have attached the plan in English and Portugese to this email.

Additionally, there is an important update as it relates to Student Services. We have attached an important letter from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) in English and Portuguese. This letter provides specific information on the Individual Remote Learning Plans for students who qualify for Special Education Services. It also provides a Toolbox to assist families with specific elements of the plan.

Finally, as many of our classes are now using Google Classroom, there has been a request to provide additional information on how to access this platform. If you are interested in how Google Classroom works, please click on the link below.

Google Classroom for Parents

Although the news from the Governor was expected, it was still difficult for our community to hear. Please know that the Charter School is here to help you during this time of uncertainty. Never hesitate to reach out if we can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

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Director