

Learning from Home During COVID-19 School Closures:

Many of you have been in touch regarding school closures related to the COVID-19. While all of you begin your plans this week, please know that we are here to support you while all your students and staff are at home. To ensure that all our partner districts (as well as our own children who are now home) are supported during this situation, we are taking specific steps as part of our plan to provide as much stability and continuity to all the schools and communities that serve language learners. These steps include:

- (1) We are continuing to seek and **share resources** (for updated information about COVID-19 for families and online resources for students to access learning) in a range of languages that will help ensure that all families are notified in the language they best understand (please see the links below);
- (2) We have created a **YouTube channel** (please see link below) where your families can join our families as we post the daily read alouds that we share with our children in Spanish and English and at a range of text levels. It will be an exciting way for our children to continue their literacy growth and love for books together;
- (3) We will be posting **free daily activities** on our website that can be completed at home to support students' content, language, and social conscious/justice development;
- (4) We will be releasing our **side-by-side rubrics** publicly this week for teachers to easily gauge whether students have met the requirements of grade level content, made progress and/or achieved language acquisition goals, and determine readiness for the next grade level without state testing. These rubrics will make it easier than ever for teachers to give concrete feedback around how to support students' progress at home;
- (5) All of our already scheduled professional development will shift to our **online professional learning** platform immediately. Do other educators and leaders in your district have the tools and training they need to continue learning for all dual language, bilingual, ELL, and SIFE (SLIFE) students during this prolonged school closure? Tell them to use their educator PD vouchers on our interactive online PD options. As an added bonus, most professional development courses will be **self-paced** and come with the option of receiving **university graduate credit**. These courses will be live and available next week;
- (6) In order to encourage continued language practice, we will give **free access** to our **virtual learning platform** to the first 40 schools who respond. This will allow your teachers to log in from home and talk with any students who are logged in, in **real time** allowing them to **talk in the language of instruction** from the comfort of their own home. Students don't even need a laptop, and can even log in from any smart phone.

Below is a little information for how my family plans to spend the upcoming week. Hope you know how much we appreciate all that you do, and please do not hesitate for a moment to reach out to me to discuss any and every issue.

Tuesday – Friday (please see links to a range of free multilingual resources below):

1. 45 minutes **Reading/Writing**;
2. 45 minutes **Math**;
3. 45 minutes **Science**;
4. 30-60 minutes **Physical Activity**!

During this time, please know that we are available to connect and discuss about how we can support your district's needs. Until then, we look forward to sharing our families' multilingual home learning journey with yours.

YouTube Channel Link for TaJu Family Read Alouds:[Link to TaJu Read Aloud Channel](#)**Virtual Learning Platform to the First 40 Schools:**[Link to Receive Access to Virtual Learning Platform](#)**Updated Information about COVID-19 for Families:**

- **A Range of Multilingual Print Resources and Posters** in English, Spanish, and Simplified Chinese as well as many posters in Arabic, Bengali, Urdu, French, and Portuguese:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/communication/factsheets.html>
- **Information Sheets in 28 Different Languages from Ontario, CA** (scroll to the bottom of the page): <https://www.ontario.ca/page/2019-novel-coronavirus#section-11>

Resources for Dual-Language, Bilingual, & ELL Students to Access Learning:

Education Companies Offering Free Subscriptions due to School Closings (Updated) : Amazing Educational Resources

<http://www.amazingeducationalresources.com>**newsela**

A link to authentic content from the world's most trusted providers and turn it into learning materials that are classroom-ready available at range of levels in both Spanish and English. <https://newsela.com/>

**BrainPOP**

BrainPOP Jr., BrainPOP ELL and BrainPOP Español: <https://www.brainpop.com>

**InfoBits**

Kids InfoBits: Kids InfoBits is a K-5 digital resource providing information on kid-friendly topics. Includes links to images and videos.

**PebbleGo****PebbleGo Spanish**

PebbleGo & PebbleGo Spanish: PebbleGo is a curriculum-connected research database specifically designed for K-3 students and include authentic Spanish read-aloud audio recorded articles. It contains informational articles, ready-made activities, and literacy support for students of all abilities.

**EUREKA MATH**

Eureka Math will post new video lessons and update free content daily.

[Link to Eureka Math.](#)**ClassDojo**

ClassDojo is a free communication platform: <https://www.classdojo.com/>



Flipgrid is a free, simple way to foster short video-based discussions on classroom topics. Educators, learners, and families can use Flipgrid at school or at home to stay connected and share their continued learning experiences. [Link to Flipgrid](#)



A website with a list of online & printable resources in Spanish to share with students. [Link to Fun for Spanish Teachers](#)



A link for educators and families to find a range of online Spanish books for free. <https://spanishmama.com/>



A link for traditional Spanish stories that can be read slowly for DLL students early in their language acquisition journey. [Link to Spanish Children's Stories](#)



A link to a few additional resources brought together by the Ferris ISD Bilingual/ESL Coordinator. [Link to Additional Resources](#)



A link to a free subscription to Raz-kids and/or Headsprout valid through the end of the school year. <https://www.raz-kids.com/>

Resources for Language Learners (from CPS):

Elementary

- [Fun English Games for Kids](#)
- [Games to Learn English](#)
- [English 4 Kids-](#)
- [ABCya Spanish](#)
- [Unite for Literacy](#)
- [ESL Kid Stuff](#)
- [Digital Dialects](#)
- [Randall's ESL Cyber Listening Lab](#)

Middle School - High School

- [English Class 101](#)
- [News in Slow English](#)
- [News in Slow Spanish](#)
- [CommonLit Spanish](#)
- [Capstone Interactive Library](#) - over 50 ebooks in English and Spanish.

[Elementary Virtual Library](#)

Pre-K through 3rd Grade:

- [eAudioBooks - Elementary School](#)
- [PreK-2 STEM eBooks](#)
- [PreK-2 Math eBooks](#)
- [Grade 1 Science eBooks](#)
- [Grade 2 Science eBooks](#)
- [Grade 2 Science and Ecosystems and Pollination](#)
- [Grades 3-5 Math eBooks](#)
- [Grade 3 Science: Ecosystems and Adaptation](#)
- [Grade 3 Science Force, Motion and Magnetism](#)

4th through 8th Grade:

- [Grade 4 Science Structures of Plants and Animals](#)
- [Grade 4 Science Energy](#)
- [Grades 4-6 Battle of the Books eBooks](#)
- [Social Science Resources](#)
- [Grade 5 Science Earth's Systems and Water](#)
- [Grade 5 Science Ecosystems and Organisms](#)
- [Grades 5-6 Fiction](#)
- [Grades 6-8 Student Writing Resources](#)
- [Grades 7-8 Battle of the Books eBooks](#)
- [Grades 4-8 Fierce Women](#)
- [Middle School Science - Life Science](#)
- [Middle School Project Lit eBooks](#)
- [Grades 7-8 Fiction](#)

High School Virtual Library**9th through 12th Grade:**

- [eAudioBooks - High School](#)
- [Civil Rights Resources](#)
- [High School eBooks](#)
- [High School eAudioBooks](#)
- [High School Project Lit eBooks](#)
- [College and Careers eBooks](#)
- [Financial Education Resources](#)
- [Social Science Resources](#)
- [Phenomenal Women eBooks](#)
- [Social-Emotional Learning](#)

App Creation

- [Code.org - App Lab](#)

JavaScript

- [Code.org - Game Lab](#)
- [How To Think Like a Computer Scientist](#) – interactive, free online textbook; python
- [Programming](#) - JavaScript and HTML

- Java Review for [AP Computer Science A Exam](#) – intro level and beyond; interactive, free online textbook; Java [created by Barb Erikson]
- [Scratch](#)

Otros Actividades de nuestros amigos de Facebook:

CALENDARIO DE ACTIVIDADES

Lunes	Martes	Miércoles	Jueves	Viernes	Sábado	Domingo
23 Limpiemos mi habitación	24 Juguemos un juego de mesa	25 Preparemos el postre juntos	26 Iniciamos proyecto piñata	27 Escribamos una carta	28 Cocinemos pizzas pequeñas	29 Hagamos burbujas de jabón
30 Continuamos proyecto piñata	31 Juguemos al Supermercado	1 Día de cine en casa	2 Hagamos nuestro árbol genealógico	3 Veamos los álbum de fotos	4 Terminamos proyecto Piñata	5 Acampemos en la sala
6 Inventemos un cuento	7 Preparemos nieve de limón	8 Carrera de obstáculos	9 Teatro en casa	10 Juguemos a los piratas	11 Vámonos de antro	12 Juguemos a la escuela
13 Bailemos una coreografía propia	14 Hagamos un álbum de la naturales	15 Día de pintura	16 Hagamos una capsula del tiempo	17 Día de limpieza general	18 Encuestando y graficando	19 Leamos el diario

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