

Dear E1 Families,

As a team, we have discussed how to best support students following Dr. Hardebeck's message to families so we can align our teaching to meet all needs during these uncertain times. **All work we provide is supplemental, meaning it is not required, but recommended.** We do not expect you to be homeschooling your children, but we will provide resources if you choose to do so. We will keep you updated through email or SeeSaw with the latest information we have as things tend to change quickly these days. All E1 teachers will be providing the following opportunities for students:

1. Daily Work
2. Supplemental Project Possibilities
3. Video Chats

Other important things to note:

- We will use Microsoft Teams for video chats. **Students are not allowed to video chat or use the chat feature on the app to contact each other without teacher permission.** We are not able to prevent students from doing so on our end, so we ask that you keep an eye on your child's use of the device/iPad.
- Ms. Amanda, our school guidance counselor, is available to talk with you and your child to support in any way she can during this time. Her email address is adavis@ecasd.us.

Our top priority during this time is to keep the connections your child has with their peers and the teachers strong. This is crisis education, not homeschooling and we want to respect your choice in how your family chooses to approach the work. We truly miss seeing the kids every day and are so thankful for all the support we have received from you at this time. As many are desiring to rush back to normal, we are taking this time to consider what parts of normal we want to rush back to. If spending quality time with your child and meeting the needs of your household does not include the work we have laid out, that is completely acceptable. We thank you for being patient in our efforts to teach your children remotely and want you to know that we are here to help.

Warmest Regards,
E1 teachers