

Dear King Center Community,

On March 13, 2020 everyone left King Center with well wishes and intentions to see each other on Monday morning. Never did we imagine that the pandemic would sweep the nation and close down the country for months. Our phenomenal team of administrators, teachers, and staff moved quickly to support the academic needs of students by offering remote instruction. King Center was one of the first schools to offer Live Remote Instruction in New York State. With the tremendous support of families, we were able to see our students through to the end of the school year, celebrate promotions, and wish our 8th grade class farewell.

Now, as we prepare for the new school year, the nation is still addressing many uncertainties as it relates to this virus. We have held Stakeholder meetings and sent out surveys to parents and staff to understand your needs, concerns and preferences as it relates to formats for educating King Center students. Based upon the voices of the King Center community, we will begin the school year in Fully Remote Instruction. All classes and supportive services will continue via on-line platforms. This decision is in direct response to the specific voices of King Center parents, staff and community stakeholders.

The Remote Instruction will remain in place for the first Trimester of the 20-21 academic year. At that point we will re-evaluate options based upon NYS leadership and the voices of our King Center Community. We will remain responsive to the needs, concerns and preferences of our school community, while maintaining diligent compliance to guidance from State Education and Health Offices. This school year will be filled with quality instruction, substantial social-emotional support for students, families and staff, and a prestigious school culture that reflects the characteristics of our namesake, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Additional Community meetings will be held to answer your specific questions regarding our plans for this school year. The full plan can be viewed on our website: www.kccs.org. Join us for the next King Center community meeting on August 13, 2020 at 5:15pm. The Zoom link will be sent to your email. We welcome your voice to the conversation as we prepare for a great and safe school year. Stay tuned to the King Center Charter School Facebook page for up-to-the -minute news and announcements.

Thank you as always for your support and partnership as we work together to sustain quality education for our community. See you at the next meeting!!

Leading The Way,

Tamaira Coleman, Executive Director