



BUFFALO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Buffalo Public Schools Families:

In these challenging times, the effective collaboration between school and home is of paramount importance. We value your input and ongoing contributions to your student's academic success.

It is important that every student receive a grade that is reflective of their demonstrated learning. During the current school year, teachers will assign an alpha (K-2) or numeric (3-12) marking period grade to students each quarter. Please work with your student to make sure assignments are submitted when they are due each quarter. In very rare instances, extenuating circumstances might warrant an Incomplete (I) for the quarter. In such cases, families should contact the school principal to discuss. If it is determined that an Incomplete should be issued, students will receive new due dates to submit the assignments.

If students are unable to complete work due to technology concerns, teachers will provide students with alternative means to submit work and assess the learning objectives.

Teachers will also continue to support student's academic needs through response to intervention (RTI), academic intervention services (AIS), and differentiation during core instruction. Students should have opportunities, when appropriate, to revise assignments to better demonstrate their understanding of the current learning objectives.

The school will communicate with parents and guardians about the student's academic needs including performance expectations, missing assignments, engagement with learning, and other academic factors. Parents can also access the District's Learning Management System (LMS), Schoology, to see assignments. Likewise, Parent Portal allows parents to have updated information related to their child's academic performance.

- If you have not established a Schoology account, please visit the District website to learn more about this resource: <https://www.buffaloschools.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=88626>.
- If you have not established a Parent Portal account, please visit the District website to learn more about this resource: <https://www.buffaloschools.org/Page/2380>.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support.

Sincerely,

Anne Botticelli
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