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Greetings Pre-K Parents,

The Saint Louis Public School District is like many other school districts throughout the nation, trying our best to navigate through the uncertainties of this unprecedented time.

This year has forced us to welcome students in a different way to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. It has required us to be flexible with our planning and adjust course, as necessary.

In this spirit, SLPS teachers will be providing virtual learning instruction for pre-kindergarten students through the Microsoft Teams platform. Here are the details:

- iPads are available to P3 and P4 students for virtual learning.
- iPad distribution will begin on September 2, 2020.
- Distribution will be from your child's home school site.
- Your principal will provide details about times/dates for distribution.
- Virtual instruction will be through the Microsoft Teams platform.
- For families that indicated the virtual-learning- at-home model would be a significant hardship (on the Parent Commitment Form), Stix ECE will serve as the Instructional Support Center (ISC) for pre-kindergarten students for the first quarter.

Teachers will provide daily instruction in large and small groups with students, in addition to allowing time for peer interactions, independent practice and free choice time.

We are committed to providing a robust, developmentally appropriate virtual learning curriculum for pre-kindergarten students. Thank you for navigating this time with us and for choosing Saint Louis Public Schools.

Sincerely,

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