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Hello Kindergarten Families,

Following the communication you received this week from your child' kindergarten teacher, we would like to share our thinking around Google Classroom and kindergarten Distance/ At-Home Learning:

- We initially began kindergarten Distance/At-Home Learning with emails to families, while our Kindergarten teachers were learning and establishing their Google Classrooms
- We are evolving in our Distance Learning, and as Dr.Harrison stated in the District Newsletter on April
 4th, we are planning to increase our interactive experiences and student-teacher engagement, and those
 experiences will be within the District's Google Classroom platform
- As a District, our 1st-12th grade students use Google Classroom, and we believe Google Classroom is the best way to organize assignments, communication, and learning
- Feedback and communication from teachers is more effective and efficient
- Students and families are able to find all assignments in one place
- Kindergarten students are being given the opportunity to create, collaborate, learn, and explore

We understand this is a shift for Kindergarten families and we are here to support you with Distance/At-Home Learning and Google Classroom. Please email your child's teacher or us with any questions. We can also arrange a phone call with a Dows Lane staff member, to walk you through Google Classroom and make sure you are comfortable and ready to support your child.

Please see additional resources below:

Logging into Google Classroom and Assignments in Google Classroom
Google Classroom Tips for Students
Turning work in Google Classroom
Assignments in Google Classroom
UFSD Technology Support for Students/ Families

Thank you again for your support as we continue in this unprecedented time.

Stay well, Andrea & Linda