

Hello State Street Families!

I hope this letter finds you healthy and well. For those of you that viewed the first “State Street Morning Announcements”, hosted by me, thank you for watching. I will be posting each morning, Monday through Friday, around 9:15 AM. If you have not seen the State Street Instagram feed, you can find it at [statestreetskan](https://www.instagram.com/statestreetskan).

Our school district has been making new plans for our distance learning during this challenging and new normal that we are facing. I will share with you very soon plans for Phase II in our efforts to provide continuity of learning. Your child will see new instruction on our platform for learning, Google Classroom. Teachers have been working closely with each other to update plans and create opportunities for new learning, with an emphasis on feedback to students. With the next letter to parents, I also plan on giving all of you the codes for all of State Street’s Google Classrooms. You will be able to use that information as your child continues to learn from home.

Our school counselor, Mrs. Paine, is also working behind the scenes to support students. You can reach her at apaine@skanschools.org and also on the Skaneateles Elementary Counseling Website, is <https://sites.google.com/skanschools.org/elementarycounseling/resources-for-parents?authuser=0>. Mrs. Paine is also State Street’s leader for the Positivity Project, our character education program. Reach out to her to gain access to the Positivity Project’s “Parent Resources” content. It will be a great resource to share with your child.

Last, I want to thank all of you for the kind words of encouragement that have been shared with myself and the State Street staff. We are all working hard to figure out the best ways for our students to learn. There have certainly been some bumps in the road, but the learning curve has been steep for all of us. We will continue to improve our practices to ensure all students are successful.

As always, please reach out to me if I can help in any way.

Together in learning,

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*The future doesn't belong to the fainthearted;
it belongs to the brave.*
~Ronald Reagan