

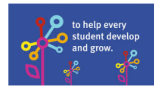
SUSTAINABILITY ACADEMY BUZZ - 04.24.20

Dear SA Families,

It's Friday! The days seem to be blurring together a little bit, but we're excited to welcome students back to virtual classrooms on Monday. Our website (sa.bsdrv.org) now has a page called "Continuity of Learning Resources" that you will see as the first announcement on the homepage (highlighted below):



UPDATES & REMINDERS



Continuity of Learning Resources
SA Remote Learning Information Follow this link to help you locate learning platforms, contact information, and each grade level's weekly schedule. To protect student and family privacy, direct links to events are not shared publicly in this... [Read more](#)

CALENDAR

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April 24, 2020

No School - April Vacation
Free Meals for All Kids by SA Playground
Monday-Friday, 10:30-11:30

If you click on the update titled "Continuity of Learning Resources," you'll see the following screen:



Through this Continuity of Learning Resources page (linked [here](#)), families can now access weekly learning materials. Resources are housed in a google drive folder, organized by grade level and by week. The folder also includes an overview document, [SA Remote Learning Information](#), which is a great place for families to begin. Families who requested paper packets should receive them in the mail today or over the weekend.



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Please continue to send feedback and suggestions along - we are always looking for ways to make resources easier to use and better for our students and families. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly (noropeza@bsdvt.org).

With gratitude,

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Ongoing Events:

- **Free meals for all kids - Monday-Friday, 10:30-11:30am next to the SA playground.** Additional food sites and information here: <https://www.burlingtonschoolfoodproject.org/menus/>
- **SA Morning Announcements Monday-Friday @ 8:30am** on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#)

<p>Monday, 4/27</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Classroom Community Meetings, K-5 <i>30 minute classroom meetings take place on Monday mornings, from 9:00-11:30am. If you need the link, please visit Seesaw (K-2), Google Classroom (3-5), or reach out to your child's classroom teacher.</i> ● K Lunch bunch with Mr. David (School Psychologist), 12:00pm <i>Kindergartners, bring your lunch (optional) and come hang out with Mr. David, SA teachers, and your friends! If you need the link, please reach out to David (dfitzpat@bsdvt.org).</i>
<p>Tuesday, 4/28</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Math Challenge #4 Submissions Due (Optional) ● 1st Grade Lunch bunch with Ms. Oropeza (Principal), 12:00pm <i>1st graders, bring your lunch (optional) and come hang out with Ms. Oropeza, SA teachers, and your friends! If you need the link, please reach out to Nina (noropeza@bsdvt.org).</i>
<p>Wednesday, 4/29</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Wednesday Morning Meeting, 8:30 am <i>We hope many SA families will be able to join us on Wednesday at 8:30am. You can watch Wednesday Morning Meeting on Instagram and Facebook. We are always looking for student and family contributions for our nature notes or morning announcements. If you family has an idea for a Wednesday Morning Meeting segment, please let us know!</i> ● 2nd Grade Lunch bunch with Ms. Dodd (School Counselor), 12:00pm <i>2nd graders, bring your lunch (optional) and come hang out with Ms. Dodd, SA teachers, and your friends! If you need the link, please reach out to Susan (sdodd@bsdvt.org).</i>

<p>Thursday, 4/30</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3rd/4th Grade Lunch bunch with Nurse Justina and Ms. Lizzie (School-Based Clinician), 12:00pm <i>3rd and 4th graders, bring your lunch (optional) and come hang out with Nurse Justina, Ms. Lizzie, SA teachers, and your friends! If you need the link, please reach out to Justina (jstarr@bsdvt.org).</i>
<p>Friday, 5/1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Virtual Coffee with Nina & Kestrel, 8:30-9:30 am <i>Join Nina (Principal) and Kestrel (Coach) for a virtual coffee meeting. During this time we will answer questions and check-in on how we can support you.</i> Join Hangouts Meet meet.google.com/pmk-ihig-onh <i>Phone Numbers (US)+1 415-604-0653, PIN: 440 303 229#</i> ● 5th Grade Lunch bunch with Ms. Kestrel (EFS Coach), 12:00pm <i>5th graders, bring your lunch (optional) and come hang out with Ms. Kestrel, SA teachers, and your friends! If you need the link, email Kestrel (kplump@bsdvt.org).</i> ● Next Family Newsletter will be emailed

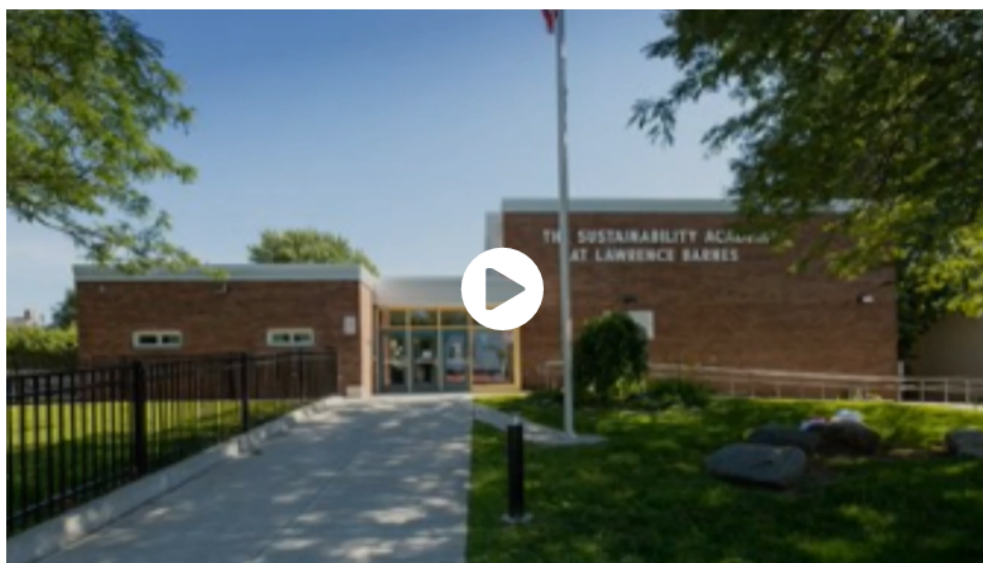
UPDATES, REMINDERS, & TO-DO'S

We Miss you, SA Students & Families! (New)

Check out this awesome video, made by Mrs. Hayes, from our staff to our community! We love you & miss you!

We Love SA :

And We Miss You!





Free Books for Kids - Fletcher Free Library & Burlington School District Partnership

Extra, extra, read all about it! Burlington School District and Fletcher Free Library have teamed up to offer free books to children during the coronavirus pandemic. Books can be picked up by parents at BSD food pick-up sites around Burlington. The books appeal to a variety of ages of students and are being provided free by Fletcher Free library. The books will be available at SA on Tuesdays from 10:30-11:30am. You can find more information [here](#).

Call for Wednesday Morning Meeting Contributions (New)

SA families, we need you! **We'd like to highlight more student and family voices during our Wednesday Morning Meetings.** We're open to a variety of contributions - here are some ideas to get the brain juices flowing:

- Have you been observing as spring arrives in Vermont, and do you have a nature note you'd like to share?
- Do you have an idea for a math challenge you'd like to share?
- Do you have a joke to get us all laughing on a Wednesday morning?
- Is there a topic you've been learning about, or a project you've been working on that you want to teach other SA students about?
- Do you have a mindfulness practice that you think others might benefit from?

If your family has something to share, please email Kestrel (kplump@bsdvt.org) with your idea for a contribution. We want to see you (yes, you!) in Wednesday Morning Meeting!

Burlington School District Equity Report (New)

Burlington School District's (BSD) 2018-2019 report Equity and Inclusion Data Report has a new look and a new vision. This year's report is being presented in a new format with the goals of reaching a wider audience, highlighting a smaller number of data points with the most relevance (in both bright spots and areas in need of improvement), and setting baseline data. You can access the report [here](#) or through the [BSD Annual Report and Data](#) page.

District Plan for Continuity of Learning

The Vermont Agency of Education has approved Burlington School District's plan for remote learning. If you would like to read the plan, you can access it [here](#).

Coaches Corner

On spring break - returning next week.

Counselor Corner

On spring break - returning next week.

Nurse Corner

On spring break - returning next week.

"Asking for help is a sign of strength and resourcefulness"



Additional Community Resources:

Has your family lost pay, have you been laid off or have you had your hours reduced?

You may now be eligible for nutrition programs that are designed to help your family and our local economy quickly in unexpected and emergency situations like this one. If you've never used any of these food resources before, please know they are there for you too.

Feeding Chittenden - located at 228 North Winooski Ave is the primary food shelf for the Burlington area and dedicated to serving our community in times of need. Currently they are open for food distribution M-W-F from 9-4. Breakfast is served in to-go containers from 6:30am - 8:30am Mon - Fri. See their excellent Facebook page for updates and most current schedule.

WIC: WIC gives you access to healthy foods, nutrition education and counseling, and breastfeeding support. If you're pregnant, a caregiver, or a parent with a child under five, WIC is right for you! To find out more and apply visit <https://www.healthvermont.gov/family/wic> or text 'VTWIC' to 855-1

3SquaresVT: Has your household lost pay? Have your childcare expenses increased? 3SquaresVT is here for you and your family to help put food on the table! You could be eligible to receive a 3SquareVT benefit or increase the benefit you already receive. To get help applying visit www.vtfoodbank.org/nurture-people/3squaresvt, call 855-855-6181 or text VFBSNAP to 85511. You can also visit <https://dcf.vermont.gov/benefits/3SquaresVT>

Vermont 211 - Resource assistance [Vermont 2-1-1 - Find Resources](#)

CVOEO - cvoeo.org/covid19-ca-faq

City of Burlington Resource and Recovery Website - [Resource and Recovery Center \(RRC\)](#)

First Call - Mental health services - [First Call For Chittenden County](#)

Steps to End Domestic Violence - [Steps to End Domestic Violence](#)

Join Urban Ministry Project (JUMP) - www.jumpvt.org

Skinny Pancake - <https://skinnypancake.com/shiftmeals/>

O.N.E. Good Deed Fund - accepting applications until the end of April <https://onegooddeedfund.org/covid-19-relief/>