

My Dear Caseload,

What a confusing and uneasy time we are in! I know Distance Learning is not how any of us imagined our return from Spring Break to be but here we are, all of us, learning a new way to learn and to teach. Although it is not ideal, we as school staff are truly trying to make it an easy transition as we begin Quarter 4 but, of course, that does not mean it will be a seamless one. At this time, more than ever, teachers, parents, and students need to work together as a team as we navigate these uncharted waters.

As school begins on Monday, April 6th, please know that although you may not be finding yourself in E109 with me, I am still available to you no matter your needs. I will be holding office hours **Monday- Friday from 9:00 am to 10:30 am** where I will be *available* to you via email, phone or text. I am also available outside of my office hours, my response time just may not be as immediate. All teachers will be holding office hours, the specifics will be listed on the FHS website, please utilize this support!

The [Freedom High School Website](#) will be your biggest resource at this time. Each content area is working hard to streamline your work for each course. All teachers are to submit work on the website on Monday at 9:00 am each week. The weeks' worth of work will be found under the "[Online/Distance Learning](#)" tab where you will find each content area listed. Every Monday please check *each* course you are enrolled in for the work you are assigned that week. Our handy-dandy planners will be a great tool for you to use and help plan out your week. For Tutorial Support, one of the assignments will be to fill out your own remote planner/ checklist weekly for points. More information on this and other assignments will be posted on my website. Organization will be key to staying on top of your work! Please know that we all understand life is different right now. With the Shelter In Place mandate, life has, in a sense, been halted but some of us are having to pick up extra family duties and because we are aware of this, teachers are being asked to be mindful of the amount of work assigned. Should you struggle with an assignment or time, please reach out to your teacher *as well as myself* so that we can help support you. This is a learning curve for all and we will get through it together!

I hope to reach you all by phone sometime next week, if you need me before I call you, please do not hesitate to call, text or email. I do know that I have quite a few IEP meetings with due dates in the upcoming month or so. If you are one of these students, I will or have already been in touch with you or your legal guardian to discuss your IEP as soon as possible!! I hope to be in touch with each student at least once a week. I have included a survey regarding the preferred method of contact. Please take a moment to complete the survey (listed below) as soon as possible.

I hope this email finds you all healthy. I miss you and cannot wait to be back at Freedom with you all. Seniors, I know you are probably sorting through a million emotions about the end of your high school experience, I am available to help you work through your feelings at any time!!!

Although we can easily list many negatives about COVID- 19, Sheltering In Place, Distance Learning, etc, there are many positives as well. Please take some time each day to look for some positives of this experience. Please take care of yourself and do your best with our new normal!

I miss you all,
Ms. Elera

****Reminders****

Office Hours- Monday- Friday 9:00am-10:30am

Google Voice- (415)754-9518 (call or text)

School Email: eleram@luhsd.net

REMIND- PLEASE ADD yourself by sending **a text to 81010, on the message bar type @mselera109** I will be sending home updates, information and “HELLOS”. This is also a way to get in touch with me as you can text through the app.

If you have not yet filled out the following survey please do so:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc-UKG8zBUVp99bCa6drMI9jrNv29YZVNOAQj7_7RgwEE5rcQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

TECHNOLOGY- If any of you are without technology, please be in touch with our principal (925)625-5900 ext. 3001; email: mankek@luhsd.net) as we have devices to loan to students at this time!