



COVID-19 Closure Update

A presentation to the School Committee
April 15, 2020



Key Messages

- 1) The **health & well-being** of students, families, & staff is **priority #1**.
- 2) This is an extraordinary time in history, and **everyone in our community has a collective responsibility** to respond to this challenge.
- 3) Even though our schools are closed, **we continue to support our students, families, and staff** from a distance and **empower continued student learning**.



Key Facts

- All Massachusetts public & private PreK-Grade 12 schools are closed at least through Friday, May 1, with the earliest return date of Monday, May 4. **The school closure is widely expected to be extended – potential for an update coming early next week.**



Key Facts

- Our school district is functioning remotely:
 - **Meals** are being provided to students who need them (pick up & delivery)
 - **Remote learning program** has been expanded twice to current iteration
 - **Technology** is being provided to families who require access or devices (to date, 58 iPads with WiFi & 9 iPads with cellular service have been distributed)
 - **Report cards** at elementary & middle levels issued for Trimester 2



Key Facts

- Our school district is functioning remotely (continued):
 - **Finance, Operations, Human Resources** and other district-level responsibilities are being carried out
 - **Online professional development** for paraprofessionals is ongoing; online professional development for educators' use of remote learning tools evolving
 - **Construction of new Beal School** continuing, but slowed



Key Facts

- April school vacation has been modified:
 - **Monday, April 20 is Patriots Day;** no school business or remote learning
 - **April 21, 22, & 23 are now remote learning days;** SPS staff and students engaged and these days “count” towards fulfillment of 180-day state requirement
 - **Friday, April 24 is a vacation day;** no school business or remote learning

All public communications related to our school district's response to the coronavirus pandemic can be found on the SPS website at

<https://schools.shrewsburyma.gov/district/coronavirus-information>

All Shrewsbury Public Schools will be closed until May 4, 2020



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CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION

Please see important information below regarding Shrewsbury Public Schools' response to Coronavirus (COVID-19).

RECENT COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from the Commissioner of Education

March 31, 2020

Remote Learning Message for Families - March 27, 2020

March 27, 2020

COVID-19 Update - March 26, 2020

March 26, 2020

SPS Student Technology Needs

March 25, 2020

All information regarding SPS Remote Learning can be found at

<https://schools.shrewsburyma.gov/district/sps-remote-learning-during-school-closure>



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SPS REMOTE LEARNING DURING SCHOOL CLOSURE

[Please click here for information on Shrewsbury Public Schools Goals & Guiding Principles for Remote Learning.](#)

Posted April 6, 2020

[Please click here for SPS Remote Learning - Information for All Families](#)

[Please click here for SPS Remote Learning for Families: Elementary \(Grades PreK-4\)](#)

[Please click here for SPS Remote Learning for Families: Middle/Grades 5-8](#)

[Please click here for SPS Remote Learning for Families: SHS/Grades 9-12](#)

Shrewsbury Public Schools Remote Learning Information for All Families - April 6, 2020

April 6, 2020

SPS Remote Learning Resources – Additional Learning Options for Students During School Closure

March 17, 2020



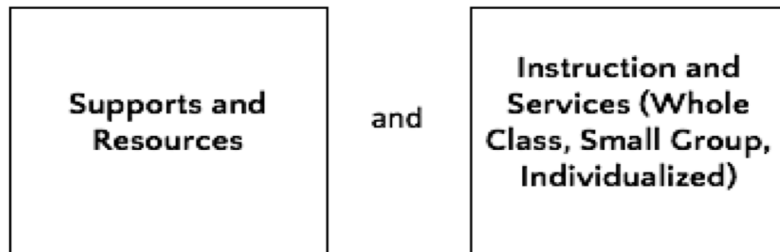
Communicating with us

- 1) Send an email to **info@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us**
- 2) Call **508-841-8400** between 8:00am & 4:30pm
- 3) See the information posted at **schools.shrewsburyma.gov**

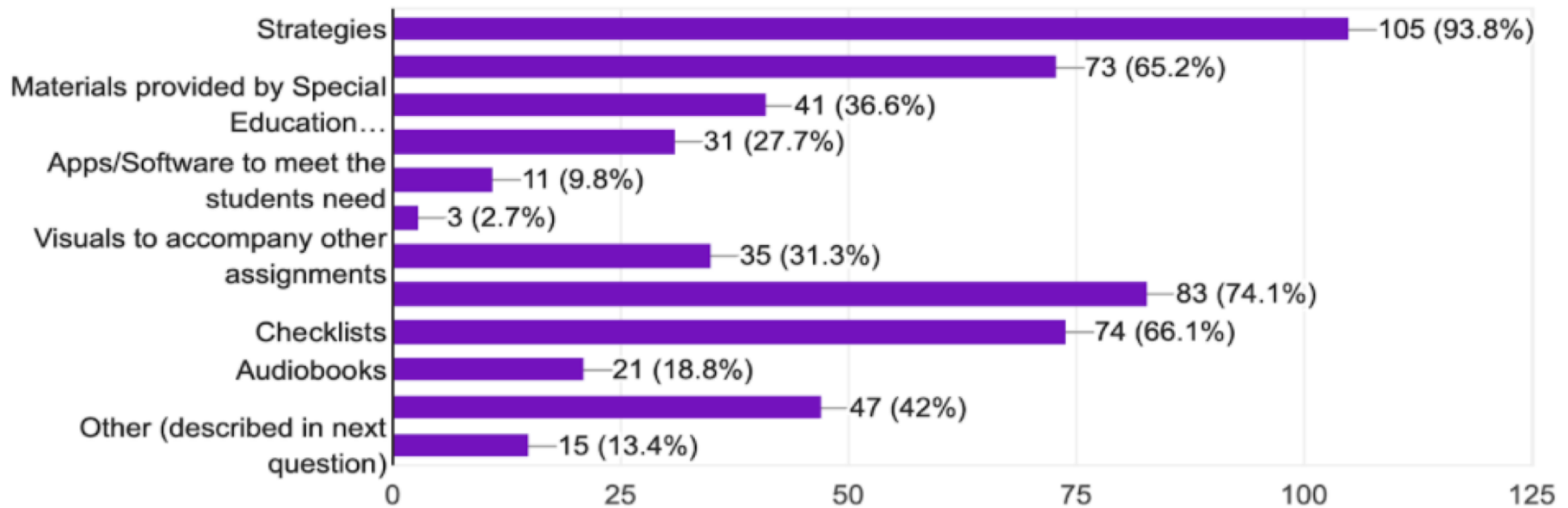
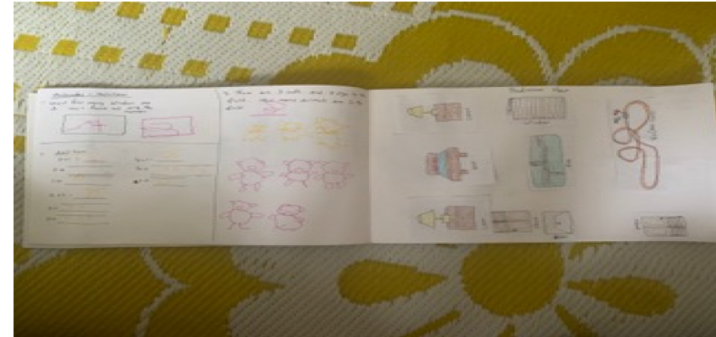
Student Services Update

1. Individualized Service Plans for nearly 1,000 students
2. Parent notification electronically through an N1-District Proposal to Act
3. K-8 Progress reports electronically sent this week along with report cards
4. Additional resources from DESE were shared in order to support students

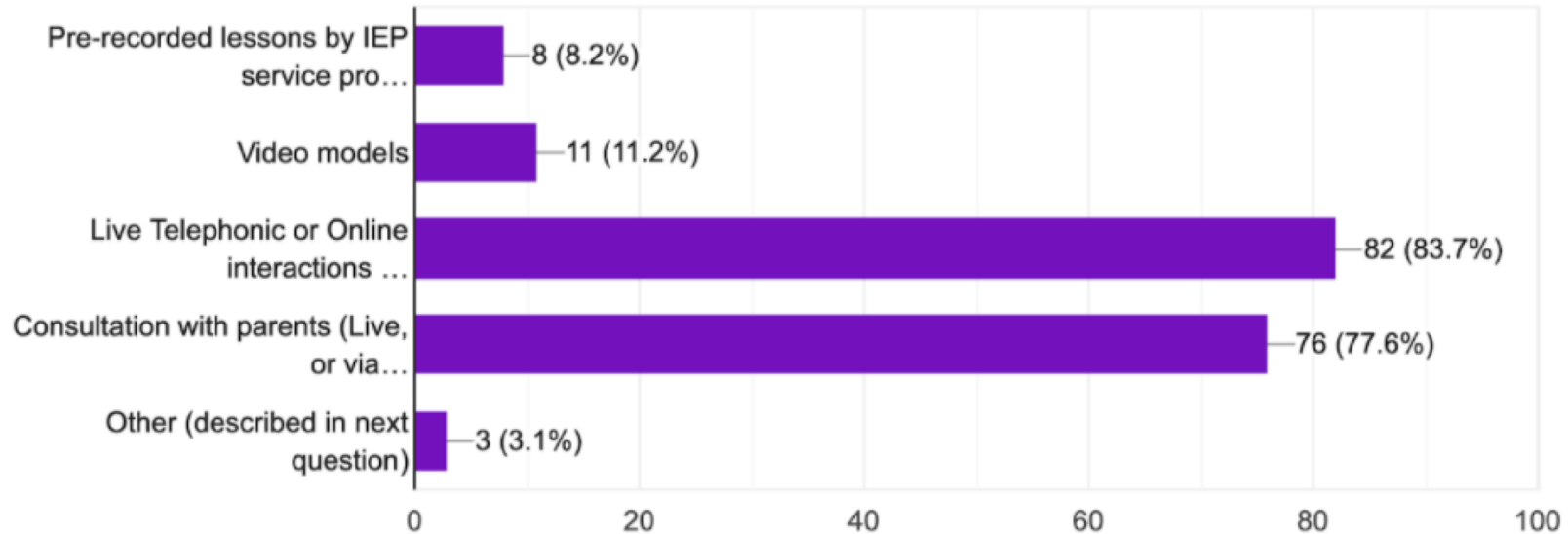
Models of Remote Service Delivery



Examples of Supports and Resources-SHS

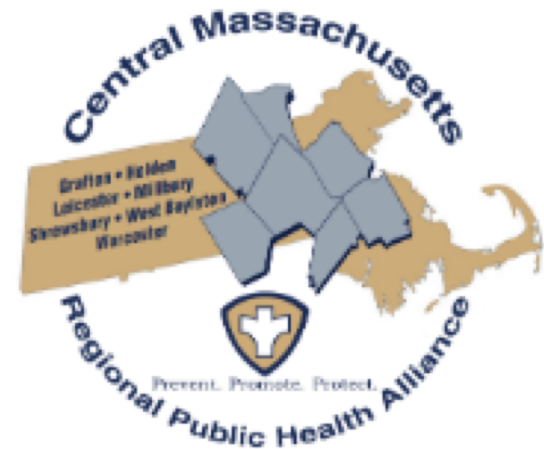


Examples of Instruction and Services-SHS



Department of School Nursing Update

1. Support for those in the school community who are dealing with illness
2. Support for the greater community through collaboration with the Central Massachusetts Regional Public Health Alliance



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Community Partnerships Update

*SHS Student and Alumni Mentoring Program-Colonial Connections and the Colonial Fund



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The SHS Student and Alumni Mentoring Program begins next week for sophomores, juniors, and seniors! Join in Zoom webinars and engage in real-world learning by making connections with alumni who represent a variety of occupations. [@SPS_Partners](#) [#ShrewsburyLearns](#) @SPS_Colonials

*SPS students, families, and staff partnering with local agencies to provide physical and emotional support-SMS card drive, SHS students' food drive, Parent offers to contribute time, funding...

*Ongoing communication with staff, families, and community partners through phone, e-mail, and Zoom meetings.

Supporting the Well-Being of All

- * SHS health teacher, Erin Burtnyk, teaches two evening classes for all SPS staff. The classes include high intensity interval training, strength, cardio, and kickboxing. (31 staff are registered)
- * ***Mindfulness and Racial Justice***, focuses on the book, *The Inner Work of Racial Justice*, and meets on Monday afternoons. The group is led by Marc Waxman (MDI), and support from Maura Egan (ELA teacher at OMS). (20 staff)
- * Mr. Waxman also facilitates free, online ***Introduction to Mindfulness*** classes to staff and community members on Wednesdays at 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., and Thursdays at 7 p.m. (45 participants) Jenny Maddox (MDI) is facilitating mindfulness sessions for SHS students at 3 p.m. on Tuesdays (grades 9 and 10) and Thursdays (grades 11 and 12) beginning tomorrow, 4/16.