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Dear Lower School Families,

Day 1 of online learning is underway! I hope your children have enjoyed reconnecting with Columbus Academy, albeit in a very different way. I have been in regular contact with faculty today who are really enjoying seeing work coming back, comments being shared, and **connecting** with their students again. After every extended break from school, it takes students (and faculty) time to get back into “school mode” and the routines. Now, many of your routines are very, very different and this is also challenging.

Please feel free to email your children’s teachers with some feedback today. Teachers forwarded some examples of work students were returning to them as well as some videos, and reconnecting was so important to see. We have had some glitches: Seesaw actually went down company-wide for part of the day, and there were iPad accessibility issues as well as logging-in challenges. I also welcome any [feedback](#) at any time.

Please share [this link](#) with your children at some point today. It is a short video from me sharing a message about “routines.” Creating videos are going to be a growth-point for me, but just as we are all learning in this new environment, I am also committed to doing the same.

As always, we all appreciate your support. While we miss being together, we are doing our best to create it virtually. I wish continued health and well-being for all of you.

Warm Regards,  
Mark