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Dear Eastern Families,

Eastern Center for Arts and Technology is offering in-person instruction to all students and does not have a separate virtual option because our programs are heavily focused on developing hands-on technical skills. While we do not have a virtual option, we recognize the importance of keeping our students engaged in learning during a time when many students are in quarantine for being a close contact or contracting COVID. Our teachers will communicate specific information on how students can continue to access our curriculum to help students stay engaged, but I wanted to share some general guidelines.

Students who are not present at EASTERN will be marked absent. This includes those students from high schools that have authorized virtual models for this week. We still expect students in a virtual model at their district to attend in person at EASTERN to fully participate in our hands-on learning.

We are committed to helping our students access our programming and keeping them engaged in learning. Our teachers will be sending information for parents and students so students who are absent can participate in streamed theory lessons and can access assignments that do not require industry equipment and supplies. We encourage students who are well enough to log on and continue to participate in our programming, despite being absent. Students who are too ill to participate may access the missed assignments when they feel better and are ready to return to school.

Thanks,

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