



**MCPOLIN OFFICE UPDATES**  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

Dear parents and caregivers,

Happy Earth Day everyone. Given the current situation, this is a perfect day to get outside and celebrate the great outdoors. In fact, this coming Friday, April 24, the staff and I will be sharing a second virtual celebration with everyone that has an Earth Day theme.

We have made it to week five of this remote-learning situation. In my latest McPolin Moment I celebrated everything you are doing at home. I need to be echoing the celebrations for our teachers with all of you at home who are more than ever directly involved. Thank you, you all are amazing.

With that in mind, and as we continue forward with this remote-learning structure, I wanted to share a message shared with me that far better expresses our appreciations for our families:

“Please do not stress about schoolwork. In September, we will get your children right back on track. When we come together and work side-by-side, we have unimaginable superpowers. Right now, we all need to focus on our social and emotional health. Social-emotional trauma is overwhelming for the best of us and for children and can prevent the brain from learning. So right now, we all need to be calm, share in our strength, and share in our laughter, especially with our children. No kids are getting “ahead.” No kids are being left “behind.” Yours’s and our children are exactly where they need to be.

With Love,  
All of us”

I believe we can agree on this message. Stay safe and don’t hesitate to contact the school for any reason. We have always considered ourselves to be a family at McPolin, as much as a school. Now, more than ever, you can count on us and we can count on each other.

Sincerely,  
Bob Edmiston