

How to move from online Access to Engagement?

Dear KIPP Tulsa Community,

Like many families you know, this is the question the KIPP Tulsa team and family is hard at work to answer. Our goal is to produce a whole-child online learning experience that includes not only academics, but also social emotional growth, a sense of community, and JOY!

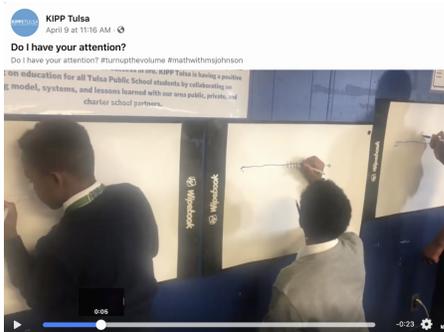
Access: KIPP Tulsa Public Charter Schools has fully launched online learning and support. Hundreds of our students now have school-loaned Chromebooks and new wifi access. During the first two weeks of this transition, most of these KIPPsters have made the leap to online learning and participated consistently. What does that look like?



Engagement: Every day, roughly 80% of our students are making consistent progress through KIPP's comprehensive online college-prep middle and high school curricula. Under the circumstances this is high, but not high enough. We are also following up with each student whose participation has lagged.

What about Joy Factor?

In the midst of these complex challenges, it's been inspiring to see teachers find **creative ways to keep students engaged**. Ms. Johnson, a middle school math teacher, created [this video to pump students up before each lesson](#).



We gather often, even online. The high school hosts community meetings on Fridays, daily lunch session, and weekly small group advisory meet-ups. For fun, we even launched KIPP Tulsa on [TikTok](#). Check it out.

And what about Mental Health?

We take to heart the unique needs of the student behind each and every screen. For mental health and learning difference supports, we:

- Check in on parents and students frequently,
- Connect resources with needs,
- Provide online counseling and special education plans, and
- Help families set their own at-home goals.

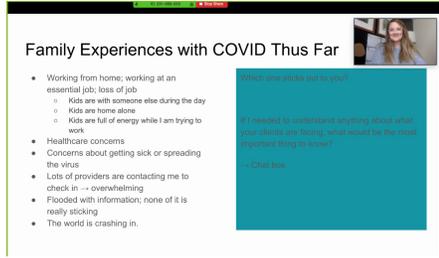
Family Experiences with COVID Thus Far

- Working from home; working at an essential job; loss of job
 - Kids are with someone else during the day
 - Kids are home alone
 - Kids are full of energy while I am trying to work
- Healthcare concerns
- Concerns about getting sick or spreading the virus
- Lots of providers are contacting me to check in → overwhelming
- Flooded with information; none of it is really sticking
- The world is crashing in.

Which one sticks out to you?

If I needed an unabbreviated writing about what these clients are feeling, what would be the most important thing to know?

→ Chat box



Our work in this area is fast becoming recognized as exemplary. Katy Loganbill, our Student Support Manager, recently delivered a statewide training on how to give practical guidance to parents of students with special needs.

Wondering what you can do to help?

We appreciate all that our community is doing to support each other during this time and wanted to share a few ways to support KIPPsters:

- [Donate](#) gift cards to incentivize student engagement
- Offer to write-off [students' meal balances](#)
- Support our [Persevering to Learn Fund](#)

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