

A new day is an opportunity to make a new connection!

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"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted." - Aesop

Teaching Through a Pandemic: A Mindset for This Moment By Stephen Merrill



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when I think back to this time in our lives I will remember it partially as pre-ZOOM and post-ZOOM. We are all learning new technology skills at lightning speed! Don't be bashful... ask for help when you need it. We are here to support each other. Use help@hebron.k12.ct.us to get any assistance. My message this week is to take time to take care of yourself, your family, and your friends. Reach out and stay in touch. These simple reach outs are meaningful for them and yourself. Above, I shared a screenshot of a message I got from one of my mentors. It brought a smile to my face. These small acts of kindness will help us all get through this challenging time. On Monday we are launching our new phase of Distance Learning. We are working hard to preserve, to the best of our ability, our workshop model of instruction. We are only looking to launch blended/digital learning tools that we can imagine using for the long term. It does not make sense to me to throw a lot of new things out there just for the short term even if the closure extends to the end of the year. We are going for quality over quantity. Oh, and don't forget that we launched our new Facebook page last week. <u>Check it out here!</u>

Professional Development Corner! Here is another episode of the TED Radio Hour by NPR: <u>Teaching for Better Humans</u> featuring CT Educator Olympia Della Flora, Associate Superintendent Stamford. If you are looking for something to do, check out <u>the archives (scroll down)</u> of Bright Futures for other podcast and book recommendations.



Do you have a resource, quote, or article to share? District committees can also communicate news via this newsletter. Just email me at <u>tbaird@hebron.k12.ct.us</u>. Have a great week!