

Dear parents of my freshmen English CP and senior English CP students:

The unprecedented cancellation of classes for at least three weeks at Kimball High gives us the opportunity to use other methods and modes to successfully instruct your children through this stay-at-home period.

Because my English classes were reading on-line novels, using Amazon's Kindle and Audible platforms, it is not practical for them to continue to read these novels. I urge your child to work on the district-adopted online or pdf lessons for their grade level until we resume classes.

Due to COVID-19 and school closure, the district will provide access to educational opportunities that are optional for students through the duration of the current school closure, April 3, 2020. If the State or County extends school closure beyond April 3, 2020, the district will provide additional information to support access to educational opportunities for your child. At this time, TUSD will provide a basic set of resources for students. These will be very general packets and will not address the multitude of course offerings at school sites. These optional educational materials are in English language arts and mathematics for grades K-12.

The optional educational material packets will be provided for K-12 students in English language arts and mathematics, along with a recommended daily routine schedule. The district will not expect students to submit completed work, nor teachers to grade work that is submitted, as families may not have the resources to complete the packets. Upon returning to school, students will not be required to take assessments involving the district provided packets. Under no circumstances should teachers be meeting with students to collect packets.

For students and families that prefer to view, download and/or print their own packets, the PDF's will be available on the district and school's websites at <https://www.tracy.k12.ca.us/> **beginning Monday, March 23, 2020.**

For students and families that prefer printed packets, hard copies will be available for pick-up at all school sites on **Thursday, March 26 and Friday, March 27, 2020 from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

Concerning third quarter grades: Filing of grades was extended to March 24. However, my grades have been updated through Friday, March 13, the end of the grading period. Since my grades are based on the entire semester, any late assignments for the third quarter turned in after March 23 will be posted as second semester scores.

Beside doing daily assignments, I urge my students to use the free time to read books, magazines, and graphic novels for book review worksheets (see attachment) that will be due at the end of the school year. Going beyond the required two books for CP students and five for Pre-AP students during the fourth quarter will create additional assignments points.

Stay healthy,
Jack Eddy
Kimball High English teacher