

Parents,

We realize that these are challenging times and uncharted waters for all of us. We hope that you and your family stay safe, protected, and well.

Due to various closures, you and your family will be spending extended time in your homes. We would like to share resources where you will find activities that will challenge the children and enhance family engagement.

Listed below are some websites that will help you talk with your children about the coronavirus and enhance their skills especially in language and literacy.

www.pbs.org/parents/thrive

www.scholastic.com/learnathome

www.funbrain.com

ABCmouse.com

Starfall.com

<http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/parenting/article/fun-learning-parents-children-activities-handbook>

<http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/learning-environments/article/news-you-can-use-learning-home-homelike-environments>

www.AdventureAcademy.com is a massive online game (MMO) for students in **3rd through 8th grade.**

www.ReadingIQ.com is an advanced digital library and literacy platform for children **through 6th grade. An offline mode that does not require continuous Internet connectivity.**

Note: Comcast is taking immediate steps to help connect low income families to the internet at home. New Internet Essentials customers will receive two free months of internet service, which is available to all qualified low-income households for \$9.95/ month plus tax. Apply by April 30, 2020.

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<http://ics-hs.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Parents1.pdf>