



Friday, March 13, 2020

Dear Mentors,

With all of the uncertainty we are all experiencing these days, I am cancelling next week's in-person attendance at the Spring Mentor Forums. However, I am, and will continue to be, available to support you individually, in small groups, either in person, or virtually via Zoom meetings, for anything—even if it's just to listen to the disbelief of our circumstances. I can do so with healthy, "individually wrapped" snacks, clean water, an open mind, and solution-oriented thinking.

While, I don't have answers to all of your questions, I realize that if there are no students, our next unit (the inquiry cycle) is temporarily on hold, and that all due dates can be altered. I will pass along any information I hear from the CCTC that is relevant to you and your candidates. Please check the website as I will continue to update it.

I believe in our collective power to support one another. This is the time when the "just-in-time" support outweighs the "longer term analysis of teaching practice," so please consider checking in with your candidates to support them through this uncharted territory; not for hourly logging purposes, but for reasons of human kindness and concern.

Life in limbo is challenging, but daily mindfulness and laughter help. We will get back on the path to clear our credentials, but let's do so with clear minds, calm dispositions, and healthy bodies. What matters most is that we stay calm and well, so that we can do the same for our families and loved ones, and get through this incredibly uncertain period.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with questions. I've listed my personal mobile number below.

Sincerely,

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