## **OEC COMMUNITY RESOURCES**

If anyone needs more information or support with any of these things, please feel free to reach out / share my contact information.  $\rightarrow$  Email: <u>caroline.robinson@phila.gov</u> | Phone: (252) 339-1712

FOOD ACCESS		
Resource	Details	
SNAP Benefits for Students	<ul> <li>Pennsylvania recently approved Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) benefits for families of school-age children who no longer have access to free or reduced-price school meals. This means all district students will receive the P-EBT benefit of approximately \$365 a student.</li> <li>If you do currently receive EBT benefits, you should notice additional funds added to your existing EBT card on or around <u>May 15th</u>.</li> <li>If you do not currently receive EBT benefits, the state will mail an EBT card to the household address we have file. If you have moved in the past year OR since you last completed and returned an Emergency Contact Form for you child, please contact Ms. Caroline <u>as soon as possible</u> to share your current address. If you are not sure you can also reach out to confirm. Contact information at top of page.</li> </ul>	
Delaware Valley's Food Pantry Program	• Delaware Valley Fairness Project currently runs a <u>food pantry program</u> that delivers groceries to our families every two weeks. Fourteen families are currently enrolled but they have the capacity to enroll more. If there is a family that is struggling with food insecurity, please let me know and I can work with them to enroll.	
Online Application for SNAP	• "The Coalition Against Hunger now has an <u>online form</u> for anyone who wants to apply for SNAP benefits. Someone from the Coalition will follow up once the form is submitted. The Coalition is able to complete SNAP applications over the phone, but their hotline has been really busy recently, so this could be an easier way for someone to get through." - <i>Laura Crandall (Food and Wellness Associate, Office of Children and</i> <i>Families)</i>	
Meal Sites and Food Sites	<ul> <li>Meal sites: Select schools, including OEC, have been designated as meal sites. They are open weekly on Thursdays ONLY from 9:00am to 12:00pm and will serve 10 grab-and-go breakfast and lunch meals per child.</li> <li>Food Sites: In addition to the meal sites, food sites serve one box of food per household. Food sites are open every Monday and Thursday from 10:00am to 12:00pm. Boxes contain non-perishable items on Mondays and fresh produce on Thursdays.</li> <li>If someone needs help finding the closest meal and/or food site to them, please let me know and I can reach out.</li> </ul>	
West Philly Food Drop Offs	<ul> <li>We have a few volunteers from the Neighbors of Overbrook Association who are willing to make food deliveries in West Philly.</li> <li>If you know of a family who is unable to come to OEC to pick up meals on our distribution days, please let me know and I can coordinate a drop off.</li> </ul>	

FINANCIAL SUPPORT		
Resource	Details	
Philadelphia COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program	<ul> <li>The application for the City's COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program is NOW OPEN and will be open until Saturday, May 16th at 5:00pm.</li> <li>To apply, please click here. Please reach out with any questions.</li> <li>Eligibility requirements <ul> <li>You must rent an apartment or house in Philadelphia</li> <li>You must have a valid and current written lease signed by your landlord</li> <li>You must have lost income because of COVID-19</li> </ul> </li> <li>You do NOT have to have been diagnosed with COVID-19 to be eligible</li> </ul>	
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance	• PUA provides up to 39 weeks of unemployment benefits to individuals not eligible for regular unemployment compensation or extended benefits, including those who have exhausted all rights to such benefits.	
OEC Family Support Funds	• Families, please complete the <u>OEC Family Check In Form</u> (takes less than 5 minutes) to help us identify the needs of the school community and ensure the equitable distribution of COVID funds.	

MENTAL AND SOCIO-EMOTIONAL HEALTH		
Resource	Details	
Crisis Hotline for Teens (available for students ages 12-21)	<ul> <li>Akea's Heart has set up a crisis hotline for teens experiencing anxiety or depression about COVID-19. The service is staffed by master's level clinicians on a 24/7 schedule. Students can call or text the hotline at 484-961-0260.</li> <li>Students do not have to be Philadelphia residents and hotline staff do not ask for identifying information unless students are experiencing a crisis. For students needing a higher level of care, hotline staff will connect with the Children's Crisis Treatment Center or the Crisis Response Center and will engage the Mobile Crisis Unit in emergencies.</li> </ul>	
Partners Checking In on Students	<ul> <li>Cheryl and Therese (yoga/RESET teachers) will reach out to any student(s) who you think could use an extra check in. If interested, please send me names.</li> <li>Therese also offered to hop on meetings to do RESET with classes or groups of students. Please let me know if you're interested.</li> </ul>	
Parent Phone Groups (specifically for parents of VI students)	<ul> <li>Educating Communities for Parenting (partner who does Baby Watch at OEC) will be holding twice weekly phone groups to share advice, ideas, and suggestions about supporting your child's education, creative enrichment activities, and parenting under stressful times.</li> <li>Phone groups: Tuesdays @ 1:30pm to 2:30pm and Thursdays @ 6:30pm to 7:30pm</li> </ul>	

To sign up, please contact Anita Kulick at <u>anita@ecparenting.org</u>
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HEALTH AND WELLNESS		
Resource	Details	
Face Shields	<ul> <li>We have approximately 100 of these to distribute to the OEC Community</li> <li>If you are an essential/frontline worker and need a face shield, please contact Ms. Foote at (610) 731-6039 or Ms. Caroline at (252) 339-1712.</li> </ul>	
Support for Mothers with Infants and Toddlers	<ul> <li><u>Click here</u> to see resources the City is offerening for mothers.</li> <li>Pregnant mothers and new parents/guardians can schedule an appointment to pick up free supplies including diapers, formula, and more. The locations, ways to get support, and what type of resources are available can be found.</li> </ul>	