Corwin Launches Distance Learning Playbook to Help Parents Support Children During Remote Instruction & Virtual Learning

New guide aims to assist parents in creating supportive academic, social, and emotional learning environment and how to best partner with educators to ensure successful distance learning

Los Angeles, CA (September 9, 2020) — Corwin, the leading professional learning provider for K-12 educators, announces the release of The Distance Learning Playbook for Parents: How to Support Your Child’s Academic, Social, and Emotional Development in Any Setting. The guide, co-authored by New York Times bestselling author of Queen Bees and Wannabes (the basis of the movie Mean Girls) Rosalind Wiseman and education experts Douglas Fisher, Nancy Frey, and John Hattie, seeks to help parents as they support their children’s education in any learning environment.

The book follows the success of educator-focused The Distance Learning Playbook, Grades K-12: Teaching for Engagement and Impact in Any Setting and is organized into four themes:

• The basics — establishing routines, creating a learning environment, and understanding the learning management system that’s being used by a child’s school.
• Taking parents through the foundational concepts of reading, vocabulary, writing, subject areas, the arts and music, and practice — and why they’re important in a distance learning environment.
• Social and emotional well-being and how to ensure children are getting the support they need while navigating friendships online, conflicts, anxiety, and bullying in this new landscape.
• Mindsets for students and families — and how important they are for working together to better the lives of children.

“Parents are — and will always be — their child’s most important teacher,” says Rosalind Wiseman. “However, we know that currently, especially for children who are starting the school year with 100% virtual learning, many parents feel unprepared to supervise their children’s education and understandably worried about their children’s social lives and managing their technology. Parents shouldn’t feel like they need to be teachers, but they do need supportive strategies for navigating virtual environments and ways to partner with educators to ensure successful distance learning. We wrote this book as a roadmap for parents to navigate all of these challenges and so they know they aren't alone.”
“With publications like the *Distance Learning Playbook* series, Corwin is working to quickly transition to a new reality in education — an increase in the number of schools and classrooms that will be establishing blended learning curriculums,” says Corwin President Mike Soules. “Research indicates that distance learning is not necessarily less effective than ‘traditional’ learning — and it’s our goal to make sure we can support educators and parents regardless of the setting.”

The *Distance Learning Playbook for Parents* is currently available for pre-order in paperback as well as digital formats. For more information, visit [www.corwin.com/parents](http://www.corwin.com/parents).

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