COVID-19 Resources
Paraprofessionals Making the Difference
During the COVID-19 Pandemic
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Paraprofessionals and school-related personnel are at the forefront of many districts’ COVID-19 response. Students who live in precarious situations are staying safe and nourished because of the work our support staff members are doing. Even with prolonged school closures, PSRP members are still serving their communities and students in valuable and meaningful ways. More than simply transitioning from the school to the home setting, paraprofessionals also are providing social and emotional support in the digital space.

The roles of paraprofessionals may have changed during this crisis, but the incredible value they bring to the communities they serve remains constant. Here are some ways that paraprofessionals across the country are coming together to support their students and colleagues during this unprecedented and difficult time.

Let us know how your work has changed during the COVID-19 crisis. Are you contributing to your learning community in a new and innovative way? Send us photos; share your experience, your best practices, and innovative ideas for supporting students while schools are closed. If you are looking for resources to assist in the transition to distance learning and topical lesson ideas about COVID-19, check out bit.ly/sharemylesson-cv19. Email us at PSRP@AFT.org.

Find these resources and more at www.aft.org/coronavirus

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