

## How to *Own What You Are Learning* at Home

It might seem like a fantastic once-in-a-lifetime gift—an epic Spring Break! But for many of you, it means a disruption to your day-to-day activities, a disruption in your social calendar, or—most importantly—a disruption in your learning. This last disruption is one that you can control. This is a perfect opportunity for you to learn how to take ownership of your own learning.

When you own your learning, it's yours. It belongs to you. No one else can ever take it away. For you to be successful and take ownership of your learning at home, you simply need to know some key information about the work you are doing at home.

For each assignment, you will need to know:

- What am I learning in this assignment?
- How will I know I have learned what I am supposed to learn?
- How does this learning connect to what we were learning in class before the break?
- How will I use this learning once I go back to class?

So, copy or cut out this "Own It!" list and use it with each assignment you do at home.

**Own It!** True learning happens you own your learning. Before you begin each assignment, remind yourself of these things:

- ▶ I am learning about... (content or topic)
- ▶ I am learning how to... (skill)
- ▶ I will know I have learned it when...
- ▶ I am learning this because...
- ▶ I will use this when I get back to class to...

If you struggle, try these cues:

- Look back at the directions. Read, and reread, them for clues.
- Call a classmate and ask them.
- Ask your parent or caregiver.
- Call, text, or email your teacher.