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Dear Dodgeland Families,

The past 36 hours have been challenging for everyone. We greatly appreciate your patience. During these hours, the administrative team has been actively monitoring news updates, spoken with our colleagues in neighboring districts, and met with district personnel who will be involved in the implementation of our COVID - 19 Response Plan.

This communication is based on the best information that we have at this time. We understand this decision could change as new information becomes available. Again, this has been a rapidly evolving situation. *Please closely monitor your text messages, phone calls, and emails from the district.*

When should students report to school?

At this time, students will report to school on Tuesday, March 17 only. Having students attend school on Tuesday will allow teachers to explain the virtual learning process and receive the appropriate materials and resources. Virtual learning activities will begin on Thursday, March 19.

At this time, **we anticipate students returning to school on Monday, April 13.** To our knowledge, there has not been a change to the Governor's directive to close schools on March 18 and not reopen until April 6. This ending date of April 6 is different from the guidance provided by the Department of Health Services, which indicated people should not gather in groups larger than 250 until **April 13.** Based on this guidance, we determined we would maintain our spring break dates and have students return to the building on Monday, April 13. There will be no virtual learning activities during spring break, which is April 6 - 10.

What if my child is sick or I am concerned about my child's health on Tuesday, March 17?

If your child is sick, please keep him or her home on Tuesday.

If you are concerned for your child's health and welfare, you may keep him/her home on Tuesday. It is your right as a parent to make that decision. These absences will be administratively approved.

What happens if my child is not in school on Tuesday, March 17?

If your child is not in school on Tuesday, March 17, the district will make an effort to deliver to your home technology and/or any resource packets distributed to students on Tuesday. (As a reminder, all students in Grades 3 - 12 will be taking their iPads home.) Please be patient. We may not be able to deliver these resources until Wednesday or Thursday.

What if my child needs internet access to participate in online learning?

If your child needs internet access, and you have not already contacted us to obtain a hotspot, please call or text (920) 392-9012 and identify your child's name. We will provide one hotspot per family on Tuesday, March 17. These hotspots are able to accommodate multiple school devices. The district-owned hotspots will only work with district-owned technology.

What if my child needs meals during the school closure?

If your child already receives free or reduced meals, the district will deliver lunch, with the next day's breakfast, each day to your door. Please know that if no one answers the door, we cannot leave the meals at your home due to food safety guidelines from the USDA.

If your child does not receive free or reduced meals, but you need assistance with meals during the school closure, please call (920) 392-9705 and the same meal package will be delivered at no charge for your children.

Thank you.

We care about your child and take seriously our responsibility of ensuring everyone's health and wellbeing. Again, thank you for your patience as decisions are made with the best information we have and recognizing the decisions made in this moment may be changed before your child comes to school on Tuesday.