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Dear DB-TC Students, Parents, Staff, and Community,

As we navigate the rapidly changing landscape as COVID-19 spreads through our country and our state, we will do our best to share updates as new information pertaining to our students, families, and school becomes available. As you know, Governor Whitmer has ordered all Michigan public schools closed for the next three weeks to mitigate the spread of Coronavirus in our state. This significantly affects all of us. Please read below for DB-TC-specific information.

### FOOD SERVICE

- We are delighted to offer *free food* to all students whose families request it for *all three weeks* of the school closure, starting Monday!
- Families must fill out this form by noon today, March 14 (all DB-TC parents received the link yesterday): <https://forms.gle/Tc1VKt2TttgqjTWe6> If parents miss this deadline for Week 1, but would like to order food for Week 2 or 3, please contact Judy Klutts at 482-5800 x1131 or kluttsj@dollarbay.k12.mi.us.

### CLASSES AND LEARNING

- We will *not* be holding any school/classes of any kind 3/16-4/3.
- Teachers will *not* be creating online versions of their classes or packets of homework for students for the coming weeks.
- Parents who are looking for resources to keep their students learning throughout the coming weeks will find hundreds of free options here: <http://www.amazingeducationalresources.com/>
- Use this opportunity to read with your child and encourage older kids to read, too! March is Reading Month!

### ATHLETICS

- No practices or games for any school sports will be held until Monday, April 6.
- The district will continue to follow the guidance of the MHSAA regarding athletics: <https://www.mhsaa.com/coronavirus>

### STUDENTS...

- Should try to stay well, and should not gather in large groups. Wash hands well and often!
- Can come get their things from their lockers during normal school hours this week.
- Should not otherwise be in the building.

### **MAKING UP DAYS IN JUNE**

- We do not yet know if the state will waive (basically erase, or not require) the ten mandated school closure days that students missed from our 180 days of school.
- As of now, we expect to have to make up some of the missed school days in June.

### **DISINFECTING**

- Custodians and other staff will do a major cleaning and disinfecting of the school in the coming weeks. We have plenty of disinfectant on hand.
- Buses will also be deep-cleaned and disinfected before the return to school.
- Each classroom and bus will be equipped with disinfectant for the students' return.

### **TRAVEL AND QUARANTINES**

- We are awaiting guidance from the health department regarding students and staff who travel to areas where Coronavirus is prevalent or spreading.
- It is likely that all local schools will adopt the same approach to address this situation.

Our local health department has informed local superintendents that our communities are still considered low-risk for the spread of COVID-19. The best thing you can do is follow best practices to help prevent the spread and educate yourself.

- Wash your hands with soap and water.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or upper sleeve when coughing or sneezing.
- Avoid contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home if you are sick, and call your healthcare provider.
- Evaluate family travel plans based on public health officials' recommendations.
- Engage in Social Distancing practices:  
<https://www.redmond.gov/DocumentCenter/View/12810/Social-Distancing-Infographic-Sign>

The situation is changing rapidly, and we will do our best to keep you informed about changes as they come, always following the recommendation of the Michigan Department of Health. Please call the school if you need additional support that you think we could provide.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Christina Norland  
Superintendent-Principal