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Stephen A. Walker Superintendent of Schools



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Dear Bulldog Families:

On behalf of the entire School District, I continue to wish you and your loved ones well during this time. Please review the information below closely, as it contains updates regarding the School District's provision of a continuity of instruction and meals during this closure.

Governor Cuomo has issued a new Executive Order which requires that all school districts in New York State continue to provide instruction and meals to students during every weekday of the mandated closure, which continues through April 14. This order is mandatory and applies to all schools, even those (like ours) that had a scheduled vacation for next week. As a result, our teachers and staff are committed to ensuring that students continue to receive access to instruction, and free meals, through next week and until Governor Cuomo issues a new Executive Order. While students are required to work through the assignments that are being provided to them by our teachers, I encourage you, as their parents, to use your judgment as to the pace at which you have your children work. You know your children best, and the health and well-being of our students, and each of you, is our top priority.

Next week, you will be receiving communication from your child(ren)'s building principal(s) with details about how our District will begin providing instruction on new curricular topics to our students, and how we intend to assess their work. We have been intentionally deliberate with how we go forward with this, knowing that many of our students and families are under increased stress at this time. I am confident you will find that our plans will continue to reflect our core principles during this uncertain time: compassion and flexibility. We intend for you to hear from your child(ren)'s building principal(s) with this information by the middle of next week.

Please continue to take care of yourselves, and your loved ones.

Sincerely yours,

Stephen A. Walker Superintendent of Schools