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Superintendent

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

We have been informed by Governor Wolf that all Pennsylvania schools will remain closed through April 6th, 2020, for staff and students. If we are able to open schools on April 6, 2020, the Governor has designated that April 7th and April 8th will be staff professional development days. Since the Governor's timeline to reopen schools falls over spring break, the students will be able to return to school on Tuesday, April 14, 2020.

In response to the extended school closure, we will continue our plan to provide continuity of education for our students. On Monday, March 30, 2020, our teachers will deliver remote learning to students. Teachers will be in contact with your student regarding required assignments and activities. Please note, as previously stated, student work is now required and should be completed in accordance with guidelines from each individual teacher.

I was informed on March 19, 2020, the Department of Education cancelled all standardized testing originally scheduled for this spring. This cancellation includes the PSSA, PASA, and Keystone Exams. With testing originally scheduled to begin shortly, this provides much-needed relief for staff and families concerned their students would return to school only to face days of testing. Thus, we are able to concentrate on providing planned instruction for our students.

Additionally, I have received numerous inquiries concerning the third marking period. The third marking period has been extended until April 3, 2020 for the completion of student work. This extension will allow all students ample time to finish outstanding assignments that would have been due prior to March 13th. Reports cards will be posted in Firefly on April 15th for the third marking period.

Based on directives received from Governor Wolf and the Pennsylvania Department of Education, I continue to make decisions that I feel are in the best interest of the students. During this closure, the District is committed to providing the students with continuous planned instruction. The administration and staff have been working diligently to plan lessons that will benefit students. We recognize that our community has expectations that students will have access to continuity of education. We will do everything in our power to meet those expectations. As always, thank you for your patience and support.

Sincerely,

Dr. John A. Scola
Superintendent
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