March 24, 2020

Hello Pontiac School District Families,

Governor Whitmer has issued a "Stay Home, Stay Safe" Executive Order requiring all citizens to stay home except for critical services and businesses for the next three weeks. We ask that all Pontiac citizens take this directive seriously. Our community's safety is imperative.

As your school district, we are still at work providing essential services to our students and families. Below are some recent updates and important information.

FOOD SERVICE DISTRIBUTION

Our food service distribution will continue, however, effective immediately we will be changing things slightly to further protect our families, staff and volunteers.

Beginning tomorrow, **Wednesday, March 25**, we will no longer be able to deliver food three days a week via the routes we had been using. We will instead be able to provide a week's worth of breakfasts and lunches for students on Wednesdays in the parking lots of the following schools.

Alcott

Herrington

ITA

Kennedy/Owen

PEACE Academy

Pontiac High School

Rogers

Whitman
These deliveries will be done drive-thru style. Families with access to a vehicle should remain in their car and food will be brought to them. Families traveling without a car should bring a cart or wagon to be able to transport the food. Families can go to the site that is most convenient for them. They do not have to go to a specific school. Just look for the school bus in the parking lot.

Please note that there will be no food delivery on March 31, 2020 in order for our food service staff to restock needed provisions for this initiative.

**Educational Enrichment Packets**

For families wishing to pick up printed educational materials for learning opportunities during our closure, they will be available during the food drop offs on Wednesday, March 25 from 10-11:30. All elementary schools will have elementary packets. Pontiac High School will have middle school and high school packets and ITA will have ITA/ILA elementary and middle school packets available.

Chromebooks have been distributed to 11th and 12th graders. Please note that at this time, no additional Chromebooks are available.

Teachers are also sharing additional learning opportunities online for students.

**Google Classroom Codes**

The teacher codes for Pontiac High School and Pontiac Middle School can be found at [www.pontiacschools.org](http://www.pontiacschools.org)

**State Assessments**

The Federal Government has approved the opportunity for states to request to waive state assessments during this school year. Michigan has applied for that waiver. This means state assessments will not be mandated this year.

**Credit Recovery**

Students who are participating in Credit Recovery will still receive credit for work completed during this time.

We will continue to keep you informed throughout this unusual time. Please continue to stay safe.

Sincerely,

Kelley Williams, Superintendent