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Dear City of St. Charles School District families,

We are currently in our last week of instructional practice/support activities for students at home (review of essential learning skills). Students (grades 7-12) are continuing to work online as directed by their teacher, and PreK-6 students are still working on the learning packets designated for their grade level. With the extended school closure announcement, we will begin delivering essential content through extended, virtual instruction starting on Monday, April 6th. Here is some important information we want to share with you.

Extended Virtual Learning Plan

Chromebooks are currently getting picked up by elementary families (K-6th grades) this week (today and tomorrow), 8AM-12PM. Today's pick-up was for Blackhurst, Lincoln, Harris and Jefferson; and tomorrow (for those with an appointment) is at Null, Coverdell, Monroe and Jefferson. If you didn't sign up for a pick-up time or didn't get to pick up your Chromebook, you still have another opportunity to do so next week. Next Tuesday (4/7) will be for Harris, Coverdell, Monroe and Blackhurst; and next Wednesday (4/8) will be for Lincoln, Null and Jefferson. Times for next week will be 8AM-12PM. You can sign up for next week's Chromebook pick up here. This new sign up form will close Sunday evening. It's important to have the signature form filled out before you pick up your Chromebook. If you are unable to print this form prior to pick-up, we will have copies available at each school to have you fill out while in your car.

Starting April 6th, teachers will begin providing classes through virtual instruction. Teachers will reach out to students and parents frequently during the extended school closure and will be in touch soon to give specific instructions on how to access class lessons and submit work. Teachers will also place copies of the instructions and work in a Google folder that can be accessed by students and parents through the following link Virtual Learning Google Folders for Parent/Student/Community Access. To learn more about the virtual learning expectations, please review the Parent & Student Presentation - Virtual Instruction slideshow. Many resources for parents are also included on the District's Alternative Methods of Instruction website at www.stcharlessd.org/ami.

To support the virtual learning process at PreK-6, learning packets will also be available for pick-up or can be downloaded and printed from the <u>Virtual Learning Google Folders for Parent/Student/Community Access</u>. The new packets for the week of April 6 will be available at Jefferson and Hardin during food service pick-up times starting next week (see schedule below).

Breakfast/Lunch Service Changes

Please note that our free breakfast/lunch service will be changing slightly to better serve you,

starting April 3rd. This service is still available at no charge (drive-thru/grab 'n' go) to all District families. Matthias' Lot Church (636-388-8242) is also continuing to deliver meals to families that need assistance. Here are the changes:

*Pick-up will be 2 days a week (Tuesday and Friday). Families will pick up meals (breakfast and lunch) for 3 days on Tuesday and for 4 days on Friday. This way students are getting meals for 7 days a week and families will only have to pick up meals twice a week, instead of five days a week. The first "bulk" pick-up will be this Friday. Families will receive meals for 4 days. *Pick-up will be at Jefferson Intermediate and Hardin Middle. The pick-up stations are on the same campuses as before, just in different spots. The Jefferson location is already up and running. To reach the Hardin location, please drive around Blackhurst & Hardin (use the back loop). The Hardin pick-up is on the east side of Hardin.

*New pick-up times will be 8:30-11:30 AM (starting April 7th). The later times (and longer time span) will hopefully be better for everyone as well.

Temporary Closing of School District Property

All SCSD school fields, tracks, and playgrounds are closed until further notice so that we can help do our part in reducing the spread of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic. This is in keeping and in cooperation with the County Emergency Health Order issued by County Executive Steve Ehlmann on March 24th, the County Health Department direction, the actions of many Parks and Recreation Departments in our area, and in cooperation with our City of St. Charles Police Department. Signs indicating closure will be in place starting tomorrow. We are asking our community's assistance in adhering to these rules. District officials, as well as local police, will be monitoring District property and asking anyone congregating on district premises to leave (except for picking up food and learning materials). Thank you for your help in keeping our community healthy during these challenging times. We look forward to welcoming our community members back to our outdoor recreational areas as soon as it is safe to do so.

I can't stress this enough, we are in this together. We'll take on this new/extended, virtual learning together one day at a time. Our hard working and dedicated staff will continue to connect with you and your children and will communicate fully with you. Be on the lookout for specific information from your teacher(s) soon.

United together,
Dr. Jason Sefrit
Superintendent of Schools