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SCSD families and community,

With the closing of district schools from March 16th to April 3rd, many questions have been asked of district administration. With this email, we hope to answer the most important questions being asked at this time. As we progress through this break and more questions are asked of the district, we will continue to communicate to our families about ongoing services and plans for the community.

Tomorrow, Tuesday, March 17 from 12-2 pm, families will have access to buildings to retrieve personal belongings, pick up medicine, pick up student supplies/instructional tools, and check out additional library books. Staff members will be on hand to offer families any assistance with item retrieval. Please use this time efficiently and do not congregate in the schools due to the Health Department recommendations. If you or anyone in your household is exhibiting cold or flu-like symptoms, please do not come to the schools.

Breakfast and lunch packs (both meals in a single bag) will be available every weekday, beginning Wednesday, March 18th- April 3rd for any student in the district from 7:30-9:30 am. Pick-up locations will be at Blackhurst and Monroe Elementary schools. This will be a front door, drive-up service with no access to the schools. The students for whom the meals are intended must be present. A flyer with more details about this service will be sent out today. Our Chartwells Food Service staff will be handling all of the food prep and distribution at the two locations. However, if you are unable to pick up meals due to illness or lack of transportation, please contact Matthias' Lot Church at 636-388-8242, and they can assist in getting meals for your students

The district will provide instructional practice/support activities for students at home so that they do not regress on essential learning during the extended closure. Pre-K learning packets have been printed and delivered to the Early Childhood Center for distribution March 17th for families to pick up during the 12-2 pm time frame. K-6 grade learning packets are currently being printed and will hopefully be ready in the next few days. All learning packets will be available on our district website for downloading and printing at parents' convenience. Our intent is to have PreK-6 packets for families who do not have internet or printing capabilities available to pick up during the Blackhurst and Monroe breakfast/lunch distribution times starting Wednesday morning.

7-12 grade teachers are creating essential learning activities for students to continue to practice and support essential learning skills. They will maintain correspondence with students through email, Google classroom, and classroom websites. Students and parents should send emails to teachers if they have questions. Teachers will contact all of their students by the end of the day

Wednesday, March 18th to provide suggested home activities, online resources that students can use at home (usernames and passwords included) to enhance learning, and to offer other learning services. Students who indicated that they needed a Chromebook or wifi hotspot to continue online work can check them out from their school on March 17th between 12-2pm. Students enrolled in LAUNCH virtual courses will continue their virtual learning as normal.

Completion of this work is highly encouraged to ensure students remain on track for their learning goals, especially in core areas and any MAP, EOC, AP and/or college-level courses. Students who complete this work will be better prepared for formative and summative assessments when they return to school.

In addition to schools being closed during this extended break, all district activities (including all sporting events and practices, concerts, musical events, etc.) and all community uses of facilities have been canceled as well.

As this situation continues to progress, we will be staying in close communication with our families and community to assist them through these tough times. While this situation is not ideal, the City of St. Charles School District will continue to do everything in its power to educate our students while helping to ensure their safety and the safety of our community.

In this together,  
Dr. Jason Sefrit  
Superintendent of Schools