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Tri County Preschool

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Dear Preschool Families:

We hope this letter finds you well. With the Executive Order from the Governor to close the school building for the rest of the school year, we have created a learning plan for all students and we wanted to make you aware. **As you well know, school isn't just a building, but a community that supports one another so that children can learn and grow to be the people they were meant to be. That support will continue.**

We want to assure parents that this plan has a lot of flexibility and is meant to meet each family where they are at. Our priorities are first and foremost to continue to provide food for families that need it. Our food program will continue until the end of the school year. Second, our staff will be reaching out weekly to provide social and emotional support in any way that we can to our families. Thirdly, we will provide learning activities. We understand that this learning plan will look different for different families due to each individual family's needs at this time. The details of the support and services will come directly from your child's teacher. Teachers are contacting families this week to discuss your preferences for digital or packet learning opportunities. Some of the highlights of the plan include:

- *Social and Emotional wellness check-ins to make sure children have access to needed services.*
  - *Social and Emotional wellness lessons will be provided to support children in this stressful time.*
- *"Office hours" offered weekly for each teacher to support students.*
- *Learning opportunities provided to students:*
  - *If the family chooses not to participate, punitive grading or failure will not be given.*
  - *Teacher feedback will be provided to families. Parents will also be supported in their role.*
  - *Families can expect about 20 min. of lesson work each day, with additional activities to extend learning if desired.*
- *Virtual learning spaces available for students/families who choose to access resources in a digital space.* **Chromebooks will be available to families** *who have connectivity to the internet.*
- *New Weekly Paper packets available on Monday for students who choose to access resources in print:*
  - **Elementary packets may be picked up starting 4/20 at Sand Lake & MacNaughton Elementary, or High School during meal pick-up time from 10:30-12:30.**
  - **or in a distribution box outside the elementary offices' doors at Mac and Sand Lake, not Edgerton.**
- *Tuition refund will occur for our families who have paid ahead. If you have questions about the tuition refund, please contact Kayla Pyne.*

Thank you for your on-going support as we all navigate these difficult times. Please reach out for help when you need it, starting with your child's preschool teacher, then Sue Darin, social worker (sdarin@tricountyschools.com), Jason Rykse, behavior specialist (jrykse@tricountyschools.com), or ourselves.

We are sending positive thoughts your way,
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