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**Alan Cosby, Ed.D.
Superintendent**

March 15, 2020

I want to provide some information concerning the upcoming school closure as directed by Governor Ivey. The closure will place some hardships on families and we realize that appropriate arrangements must be made. As you know this is a rapidly evolving situation and we will make decisions as necessary.

Please note the following:

School Days and Closure: Schools will close at the end of the day on Wednesday, March 18 and will reopen on Monday, April 6. Please note that this could change. We will have a flexible attendance policy beginning on Monday, March 16 through Wednesday, March 18 and all absences will be excused should you choose not to send your child to school.

Athletics and Extracurricular Activities: All athletic and extracurricular activities will be canceled beginning Wednesday and will resume on Monday, April 6. Again, this is subject to change. During this time there will be no contests, weight training, conditioning, practices, or any other related activities.

Field Trips: Effective immediately and through April 30 all field trips are canceled. Some of these can be rescheduled while others cannot. Please contact your local school administrator and/or the teacher(s) that are conducting the trip for specific details.

School Work: No school work will be required during the closure period; however, schools may be sending home packets or online activities with your child that can help continue the learning process. These packets and work are optional. Please help keep your child engaged in some form of learning during the closure period.

Due to the State of Emergency declaration the missed days will not be required to be made up.

I will continue to update information as it is received. Thank you for your patience during this period and stay well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'AC'.

Alan Cosby, Ed.D.
Superintendent