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Dr. Tammy Boyette, Superintendent of Schools

Hello, Warrior families:

First, let me say how much we appreciate all the kind words, support and prayers we have received from you as we work through this unprecedented situation. It is our sincere hope that all our Warrior students, staff, families and community partners continue to be safe and healthy and we are committed to serving our community in the best interest of our students for the duration of this emergency.

This week, I have been in constant contact with Texas Department of Health, Commissioner Morath of the Texas Education Agency, Judge Blanchette and the Tyler County Office of Emergency Management as well as numerous superintendents in our area planning how to balance concerns for the wellness of our students and personnel with the need for a continuity of educational services.

As you know, on Tuesday, March 17th, Warren ISD suspended all classes in an abundance of caution related to COVID 19. We are using the rest of this week to plan for instruction and meal dispersion for our students. Beginning Tuesday, March 24th our students will be educated under a flexible education plan. WISD will provide “at-home” lessons through various means. Students will be able access instruction via online and paper-based formats. In preparation for “at home” learning, we will need our students to have school supplies at home. If you do not have supplies at home, the principals will have designated hours where students may come to school (fewer than ten in the building at once), to retrieve their personal belongings and instructional supplies (i.e. locker items, consumable textbooks, etc.). Each principal will send out a schedule by Wednesday, March 18th that will specify pick-up dates/times.

By Friday, March 20th, more specific guidance on how students will be able to access their lessons will be made available from each campus. The same information will be posted on our website. Lessons and assignments will be both distributed and collected each Tuesday in the same place where meals will be disbursed. Teachers will collect and grade their students’ work throughout the duration of our closure. We understand that not every family has internet access and we will be working with our families to provide alternatives. In addition, we have designated the parking areas around our campuses as internet “hot spots” where families could choose to drive up, park and download instructional videos and assignments to then use at home. Again, for those without internet or phones, we will provide paper-based learning options.

Last night, during an emergency Board meeting, our Board approved a resolution that will continue to fund our educational services. As part of our plan, instructional staff will be working abbreviated schedules on campus during the week to prepare lessons for our students and will do additional planning and attend virtual faculty meetings from home. Non-instructional staff will

also work abbreviated schedules in order to deep clean facilities, deliver food and materials and keep the building maintained for re-opening as soon as is feasible. A detailed schedule of operational hours, office hours, meal distribution times/locations, and specialized services will be posted at each site and online by Friday, March 20th.

Please help us better serve you by filling out the google form found [here](#) to assist us in planning for meal and instructional material disbursement.

Please look at the attached list of meal disbursement locations to choose the site that best meets your needs. Meals will be provided Monday through Friday in “grab-n-go” format beginning this Friday, March 20th. **According to the TDA (Texas Department of Agriculture) each student must be present to pick up the meal we will provide.** Parents: please do not plan to send an adult or older sibling to pick up meals for all students in your household. Each child must be present and be handed one meal. Instructional material pick up/deliver will begin on Tuesday, March 24th via the same method as for meals.

In closing, please be assured that we are here to support our families during this national crisis by providing a high quality plan for the continuity of education services. I wish I had a crystal ball and could tell you when this will be over, but I don't. I can say that we are planning on remaining closed through April 3rd; however, we also realize that circumstances may dictate that we extend that closure in the name of public safety. If that happens, we will continue to provide food and instruction to our students!

As always, please contact us at the campus where your child attends school, if we can be of any further assistance!

With Warrior Pride,

-Tammy