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Dear FIRE Breathing Dragons!!

As you probably know already, this morning Governor Whitmer instituted the “Stay Home, Stay Safe” Order. The order DOES allow families to leave their homes for essentials. Picking up breakfast and lunch for your children is considered an essential service. You can continue to come and pick up breakfasts and lunches. We are very happy to say that we will continue to distribute meals to our families every Monday and Thursday from 11:00–12:00 at Summit Academy in Flat Rock and Summit Academy North in Romulus. We are grateful to our staff members who have volunteered to package, organize, and distribute these meals to our families.

I know you are concerned and uncertain about what comes next. I think we all are. Many events are canceled or postponed, plays are not being performed; dance, choir, and band performances canceled; sporting events and competitions are not taking place; school trips and family vacations are postponed, projects are interrupted, and so many other activities and events are, may or will be canceled or

postponed as this continues to unfold. It is deeply challenging to have so many changes so quickly, especially for our students. We will get through this together. Following are three websites that provide support for parents to support children during the COVID 19 outbreak.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/talking-with-children.html>

[https://www.nasponline.org/resources-and-publications/resources-and-podcasts/school-climate-safety-and-crisis/health-crisis-resources/talking-to-children-about-covid-19-\(coronavirus\)-a-parent-resource](https://www.nasponline.org/resources-and-publications/resources-and-podcasts/school-climate-safety-and-crisis/health-crisis-resources/talking-to-children-about-covid-19-(coronavirus)-a-parent-resource)

<https://childmind.org/coping-during-covid-19-resources-for-parents/>

As we continue to work our way through this unprecedented time, we will provide ongoing updates. I want you to know that we care deeply about the safety and the well-being of our students, staff, and families, and we remain committed to our students' education. The academic work that we provided last week carries through April 12. We will monitor updates from the Governor to continue to make the best decisions that we can to support our Summit Family.

There are so many points of concern right now, so many unknowns, and there are no perfect solutions. No easy answers. As we move through this uncharted territory, we know that we will be making very difficult decisions. We also know that we won't be able to come up with solutions that everyone agrees with. Please know that every decision is made with safety and well-being as our priority. We try to consider all factors, outcomes, and scenarios. We simply continue to ask you to be patient with us as we move through this pandemic

together. We are indeed #SummitStrong together! We are grateful for the incredible support that we have received from our families and staff thus far. Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions and concerns. I will continue to do my best to respond as quickly as possible.

Take care of your families, stay safe.

Most Sincerely,

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