



Summit Academy and Summit Academy North Central Office

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Hello Summit Academy Families!!

Step one....Breathe.....Step two.....take care of yourself.....Step three.....be safe.....Step four....know you are part of the FIRE Breathing Dragon Summit Family and we are going to support our students, staff, and families!!

I've been waiting to send an update to hear what the governor will say about our schools. However, I have received many questions. I wanted to provide some updates. There are so many unknowns and rumors everywhere. I want to try to put some of those to rest AND let you know that we WILL update you every step of the way. I'm sure that many of you have seen the news. Nothing is finalized until the Governor makes an official announcement. When she does, I want you to know that Summit is ready. We have prepared for multiple scenarios.

What is happening is certainly unprecedented!! Uncharted!! and Scary!! BUT also, it has been an Opportunity to spend more time with our families!! Get Creative!! and find ways to Make A Difference!! Here is the link to the article regarding possible school closure.

<https://www.bridgemi.com/talent-education/whitmer-end-michigan-school-year-seniors-graduate-others-move>

Please know that the staff has been planning for all possibilities for weeks. Closing for a longer period of time has been one of them Rest assured! We will be ready. We've got this. We've got each other!! In the next week our Kindergarten through 7th grade students will be receiving a Think Stretch book that we will be using as we continue to provide extended learning. Teachers will update you soon.

We will take things one step at a time. Know that we **will plan to reschedule some of the postponed events** like the high school graduation ceremony and prom. We just don't know when.

Here are answers to 3 of the most common questions:

- YES, seniors WILL graduate if they were on track to graduate before school closed, they will graduate. (If a student wasn't on track before we closed, they should be in touch with Mr. Charlefour and Mrs. Becker who are working on credit recovery with those students).
- YES, students WILL be promoted if they were on track before the school closure.
- Yes, we will continue to serve breakfast and lunch at Summit Academy Flat Rock and Summit Academy North Elementary. Tomorrow, Thursday, April 2 is the next distribution from 11-12.

We know our students. We know what was and wasn't taught before the school closure. We know what the academic power standards are. We will fill the gaps, and our students will be successful.

We WILL give you guidance. We WILL support you every step of the way.

Together we are #SummitStrong!! Leann

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