

BAS Families,

By now you may have heard Governor Whitmer's latest Executive Order ([2020-35](#)) canceling K-12, face-to-face schooling for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year. We have been anticipating this order for some time now and have been working tirelessly on alternative plans for a continuation of learning for the remainder of the year. While we know and acknowledge that this option could never replace our previous norm, we are committed to doing everything in our power to end the year with a quality educational experience for all children. This may not be easy or comfortable for students, parents, or staff, but we are dedicated to continuing our connectedness to our students and staff. We will continue to revise our process as we discover what details work, and what may require additional refinement.

In tomorrow's Friday Letter we will begin to explain the framework for the learning opportunities for the remainder of the year, as well as the process we will implement to get technology in the hands of our families that may not have access. Next week's district objective is to begin sharing the specifics related to our continued learning efforts. We will have another extended learning opportunity next week (#4) and our goal is to begin our new process tentatively the week of April 13th. A tentative date has been selected because we are bound by the requirements for the creation of a Continuity of Learning Plan, our online learning plan that must be approved by our Intermediate School District. The Executive Order has a deadline for the plan to be approved by the 28th of April but our goal, and the reason we have been working on it, is to get that approval and start the process sooner than later.

We thank you for your continued patience and support as we navigate this new executive order and all of the intricacies contained within it. Have a great day and as always, Go Dogs!

Sincerely,

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BAS Superintendent