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George Leary, Superintendent

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Today, March 17, 2020 Governor Laura Kelly announced an Executive Order closing all school facilities for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.

USD 423 leadership team is meeting tomorrow morning to continue brainstorming options and possibilities for how to meet the continuous learning for our students. Continuous learning includes a combination of face-to-face, online and packet learning. Each school district will create a continuous learning plan for their specific students and district.

Here is a timeline for the next several weeks:

- This week: continue enjoying your spring break!
- Next week: No School for students. Faculty and staff will be designing the continuous learning platform. We may be contacting parents for information regarding technology access in your homes.
- Week of March 30: continuous learning begins. Details to follow.

These changes will place tremendous hardship on our families and staff, and impact the social and emotional well-being of our students.

We have been working on contingency plans, including how we can meet the ongoing learning needs of our students and provide breakfast and lunch for our students.

Our staff and board of education are also working on other critical issues, such as what this means for our seniors, how this will affect next school year and what impact this will have on our employees. We will provide updates on these issues as soon as the information is available.

We are committed to working together as a community to support one another throughout these unprecedented times, and communication will remain a top priority. KSDE is providing guidance during this very fluid time. We will communicate updates often.

As a reminder, this school closure is in response to the current public health crisis. The focus should remain on preventing the spread the coronavirus, or COVID-19 as it is also referred to.

Please be mindful of the following:

- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cover your nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing (cough/sneeze into your sleeve or a tissue).
- Please keep sick children at home.
- Avoid close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms.

We embrace this challenge to collaborate with our families to continue to provide excellent education for all USD 423 students!

A handwritten signature in black ink, likely belonging to George Leary, Superintendent.