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Dear Parent or Guardian:

Thank you for your patience as we continue to receive and implement updated information from the Dearborn County Department of Health, Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH), and the Indiana Department of Education regarding COVID-19 recommendations for schools.

This is a very fluid situation, with additional guidance coming nearly each hour. Just today, Governor Holcomb announced a waiver for up to twenty (20) days of instruction as well as guidance regarding non-essential, extra-curricular and co-curricular activities, as well as gatherings of more than two-hundred and fifty (250) people.

Based on what we know now, I would like to outline the corporation plan moving forward. School will be cancelled on Monday, March 16th and Tuesday, March 17th. School will resume on Monday, March 30th. A decision regarding future extra-curricular activities and co-curricular activities will be made in accordance with the Governor's recent guidance.

In preparation for additional closures beyond these two days, we will immediately begin making plans for providing limited educational resources for Reading, Language Arts, and Mathematics. Parents can use these resources to keep students skills progressing during an extended school closure. More information will be forthcoming regarding how parents may access these resources. These days would not be considered days of instruction and would not be made-up per the waiver.

An extended school closure will be determined in consultation with both the state and local Departments of Health. The current recommendation is to close school for fourteen (14) calendar days if a student or staff member has a confirmed case of COVID-19. Please begin making childcare arrangements now.

Accurate and factual communication will continue to be provided through the Sunman-Dearborn Community School Corporation website, Twitter, School Messenger, and email. These are the only official communication channels of the school corporation.

Thank you again for your patience and understanding as we navigate this difficult and unprecedented situation.

Sincerely,

Andrew Jackson Superintendent