



Greetings Families!

Our school closure time has sadly been extended through May. This means we will not be able to say good-bye to our students in person. We are all completely heartbroken by this realization. :(It is difficult to put into words how devastating this is, but we know we have to keep our chins up for our students and our families. So we will!! :)

We will continue with our original plan of distributing another learning packet for the remainder of April. We will plan to move everything online for May. We will not be formally grading for the rest of the quarter, but your teachers will be providing feedback in the best ways they can. We appreciate your cooperation and flexibility during this very trying time! So many people have written how what families are doing is NOT homeschooling, it is CRISIS-schooling.

From Danika J Fornear, “If you are providing shelter, nourishment, a safe place to sleep at night, and love- but feel you are inadequate as the teacher at this time, just stop and breathe. You’re doing just fine!” YOU ARE! Take care of your families first!

Now back to the plan...on Tuesday, April 14th, from 8-4, we will be set up at the school the same as we did for the first distribution. Please follow the same protocol. Don't leave your car. Write your child's name and homeroom on a piece of paper to give the runners. They will go inside and get your child's items and return them to your car. We are also sending home all personal items that were left behind in desks and lockers. We are taking every precaution to make this transfer as safe as possible. All the items will have been sitting without any touching over the entire four day Easter weekend. Our helpers will use sanitizer liberally as they go back and forth and we will limit any conversations at the cars. We are definitely in this together! We can't thank you enough for your partnership with us!

Please contact me with any questions or concerns. nancy.j.johnson@k12.sd.us

** All information for flexible learning can be found at the following link:

<https://nancyjjohnson.wixsite.com/mysite/e-learning-contacts>

We are all sending hugs, high-fives, and our LOVE virtually to our students! Please follow Tri-Valley Elementary on Facebook for additional information and fun ideas to do as families. Stay safe, stay healthy, and stay home if you can!

Mrs. Johnson & Tri-Valley Elementary Staff