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Dear Armada Area School Families,

Armada Area Schools is pleased to announce an updated plan for learning at home.

By Friday, March 20, our teaching staff will reach out to their students and families via email and/or online. Teachers will provide students with a list of weekly activities specific to their grade or class schedule designed to prevent academic slide and to keep their students engaged during this mandated school closure. Although these activities are designed to challenge your child academically, they will be considered enrichment and will not be graded. These activities will focus on important essential skills and content area concepts already covered that are important for your child to master and retain. Even if your child is not in physical education (P.E.), we will be sharing out our P.E. teacher recommendations to all students so they can stay physically and mentally strong.

Our teachers will be available for you or your student to communicate with via email and will be checking their email daily during the work week. Assignments and activities for the week of March 30 will be available by Friday, March 27th. The week of April 6 will still be considered our Spring Break week, and students will not be receiving activities to complete.

In addition, teachers will have an online "office hour" at various times each week via platforms such as Seesaw, Zoom, or Google Hangouts. Dates and times of the office hour will be communicated to families by the individual teachers. For students that do not have internet access, they will be able to call in and listen.

If our schools are required to remain closed for a longer period of time, we will continue to work on our plan for remote learning and communicate that information to you. We will be working with our MISD, School Board, and Lansing to ensure our seniors have the necessary requirements to graduate.

A key indicator of student success is parent involvement in their child's education. Thank you for working with your student to complete these educational resources and activities. By working together, we can ensure that all of our students continue to thrive and be successful.

If you have any questions, ideas, or concerns, my door is usually open. For the next several weeks, you can reach me at mmusary@armadaschools.org. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Michael G. Musarý, Ed.S.

Superintendent of Schools