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Dear Island Elementary School District Parents & Community,

I realize the amount of information coming from all levels has been overwhelming, including those you have received from Island Elementary School District. Please know, our communications are intended to keep you up-to-speed on all that is unfolding with our schools in light of the Novel Coronavirus pandemic.

On April 1st during Governor Newsom's Press Conference, he clearly stated, "...the expectation is that schools not reopen." The Governor did go on to emphasize school is not out for the year, students will not return to their physical school site buildings, but learning will continue by way of distance learning. With that being said, <u>Island</u> <u>Elementary School site will be closed for the remainder of the 2019-2020 academic school year</u>.

As we move forward, we will continue to provide our distance learning opportunities supported by teacher interactions with students. Please remember, contact and learning support from your child's teacher will come in many forms — phone calls, virtually online, dojo and/or remind messages. Please consider accepting calls from unknown numbers as teachers may be attempting to reach your child.

At this time all students needing a device should have received them. If you did not get your child's device, please call the school office and schedule a time for pick-up. If internet access is an issue for your family, a WiFi resource page with no cost/low cost options is located on the website: island.k12.ca.us as well as the front window of the school office.

After Spring Break, new distance learning instructional materials for grades TK - 8 will be available. The materials online will match the hard copies that will be available in front of the school office for pick-up. For students with devices in grades 3 - 8, all work can be accessed online making the paper copies unnecessary. New materials will be accessible online and outside of the school office each Monday afternoon for the following week. Many times packets have multiple weeks packed together. Please only take what your child will need, rather than multiple sets accidentally. Please keep in mind, there will be a break in distance learning during the scheduled Spring Break time, April $4^{th} - 13^{th}$. Teachers will not be making contact that week. Distance learning will continue on Tuesday, April 14^{th} . Packets will be in the boxes by noon April 14^{th} .

We will continue to communicate through an all call, and on our District website: island.k12.ca.us. If you are having any trouble receiving the messages or accessing the website, please contact our office between the hours of 8:00-3:00 p.m.

As we look to the future, Island Union Elementary School plans on resuming classes on August 11, 2020. Thank you for your continued understanding and support during this time of crises. Please stay healthy and know we are thinking of our IUESD students and families. We care about each of you and miss you dearly.

Charlotte Hines

Superintendent/Principal

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