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Dear Bulldog Family:

I am sure you all have heard by this time that today at noon Governor Abbott issued an executive order closing all Texas schools through the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. Shortly after that press conference the Commissioner of Education, Mike Morath, issued guidance that although in person instruction cannot continue, schools should continue to provide opportunities for students as we have since the closures began.

**Please understand, this continues to be very difficult. The best I can say about our experience throughout this ordeal is that we have all worked well together for the sake of taking care of our students, parents, staff, and community.**

QCISD has complied with the request of the commissioner of education to provide continued learning opportunities for our students. We have issued two rounds of student work. The first was on March 20th and the second was on April 9th. If your student has not received work, please contact your campus office. Any and all completed work may be returned to the buses each day when meals are delivered or returned to the drop boxes at each campus. The district will continue to accept completed work through May 15th at 6:00 PM. The work is being graded according to the policy released last week. Parents, guardians, and students should be getting updates on student progress through communication from teachers and will be getting progress reports in the mail.

Again, I want to remind everyone that this is an unprecedented event in all our lives and as such creates fear and anxiety about many things. The district is here to help all of our QCISD families with as much as we can during this time. However, we must comply with what is being asked of us. Please do not be overwhelmed. Set a schedule to work on a few assignments per day. All QCISD staff members are required to have hours during which they are available. They are required to answer emails every week day between the hours of 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM. On week days it is reasonable to expect a response within 24 hours after you have reached out to school staff. Their job is to help the students with their work and answer any questions they might have. Please reach out to them by phone, email, or any other method by which you are accustomed to using to communicate.

This ordeal has had a huge impact on all of us- perhaps none more so than our seniors. A few weeks ago I made a promise to the seniors of Queen City ISD that we will have a graduation as soon as it is safe and we are allowed to do so. I will keep that promise. As soon as we have the details worked out, we will be relaying that information to you.

I ask that all of you continue to do your part, complete your work, reach out if you need help, avoid negative social media activity, and follow the health and safety precautions.

Thank you to our amazing staff who have been working around the clock to get everything organized and delivered to the families of QCISD!

**Stay positive and have faith! Stay BULLDOG STRONG in #thecITY!**

Charlotte Williams  
QCISD Superintendent