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Fort Sam Houston ISD family,

Governor Greg Abbott announced through Executive Order that Texas schools will remain closed for the remainder of this school year. While difficult, decisions to close schools and stay at home, do support the safety and well-being of our students, staff, and community. At Fort Sam Houston ISD we are honored to serve your children and will continue to do so through remote learning, student supports, and the grab and go meal program.

At FSHISD we built systems and structures to deliver remote instruction, and while we recognize this system cannot replace face-to-face classroom instruction with teachers, we believe it allows us to successfully complete the year while we focus on plans to re-open schools in August and re-strategize how to make up for any lost learning.

School staff are considering new ways to engage with students and families for end-of-year award ceremonies and other special events as well as senior activities. Texas Commissioner Mike Morath will also provide guidance to schools during this transition. We will continue to support students and families in the short- and long-term, and will keep you updated as there is more information to share.

Respectfully,

Gary Bates, Ph.D.  
Superintendent of Schools