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Dear Oglesby ISD Families

I hope this letter finds you and your family doing well and staying safe. On Friday, Governor Greg Abbott announced the closing of Texas schools for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. Even though school campuses are closed, I want to reassure you that Oglesby ISD will continue to provide instructional support and meals for our students throughout the remainder of the school year. It is important that students continue to complete instructional packets being sent home, the Texas Education Agency and the State continue to hold school districts accountable for their continued instructional efforts until the official end of the school year (May 22, 2020), and therefore we are still holding students accountable for their educational activities. The following statement was sent out by TEA following the Governors announcement ...

*"Following on Governor Abbott's Executive Order on schools issued this afternoon, it is important to note that while the Governor's decision continues the closure of school buildings for in-person classroom attendance for the duration of the 2019-20 school year, it in no way ends at-home instructional support for Texas's millions of students.*

*"School districts across Texas have worked diligently to make the transition to virtual learning. Students must continue to receive daily academic support from their teachers and schools for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year.*

*"Thank you to our superintendents, principals, and teachers for their leadership in ensuring that academic progress continues during this unprecedented public health crisis. We fully support your efforts."*

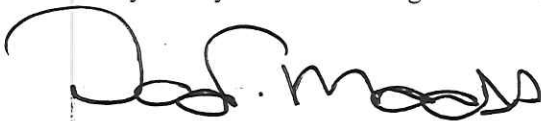
The current process of instructional packet delivery/pick-up will remain in place through May 22, 2020. The Oglesby School campus will be open as follows ... Monday 8:00am to 3:00pm, Tuesday 8:00am to 6:00pm, and Thursday 8:00am to 3:00pm. Tuesday is the designated day for instructional packet delivery/pickup, and drop off of work from the previous week.

I would like to assure all seniors that we have not yet cancelled Graduation. We are currently looking at all options and will be communicating with our Senior Class and their families in the near future. We remain committed to honoring our seniors and their families in a manner that does not minimize this event or their accomplishments.

We are also working on a plan for students or parents to retrieve student belongings or return school items. Ms. Sanders will be reaching out to students and families as these plans are finalized.

I want to express my sincere appreciation to our students, their families, and the Oglesby ISD staff for the manner in which you have responded to the COVID-19 crisis. You have all been supportive, encouraging, and attentive to the needs of each other. We miss each and every one of our students and wish them the very best during these unusual times.

Thank you for your understanding and Take Care,



Dr. David P. Maass  
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