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Good afternoon

I have some important information to share with all BCCU2 students and families:

Today, Governor Pritzker announced the suspension of in-person learning for the remainder of the school year. Although it is sad that we will not be able to finish the school year in person, we understand it is for the greater health and safety of our communities. Just because in-person learning is suspended, learning doesn't have to stop. We will continue to support our students through the district's remote learning plan for the remainder of the school year.

As a school district, our priorities remain:

Priority 1: feed and care for the extended safety, health, and welfare of our students, families, non-student children, staff and community at large

Priority 2: Provide continuity of learning focused on critical standards and minimize instructional loss through remote learning

Our meal distribution has been very successful. We have served thousands of meals a week since Mid-March. This would not be possible without the hard work of our food service employees, bus drivers, administrators, and countless volunteers from our faculty/staff who help make this happen.

This week was our first official week of remote learning and we thank everyone for their patience and efforts as we navigate remote learning together. We understand that everyone is doing the best they can and will continue to support everyone's best efforts throughout the process.

We know there will be a lot of questions regarding how to bring closure to this school year. In the days and weeks ahead, we will be working hard to answer your questions.

To our students, I am sorry we are ending the school year this way but know that our faculty and staff miss you so much and think about you every day. I am especially sorry for our senior students who are finishing their educational careers at BCCU2 under circumstances much different than they had pictured. We will do our best to find ways to honor you and your accomplishments.

We are committed to helping and serving students and families in whatever ways we can during these challenging times. Please call the unit office if we can be of any help 618-664-0170.

Take care of yourself and each other.

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