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"One Town, One School, One Family"



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Dear Ashley Bear Students and Families,

It's my sincerest hope all of you are at home, staying safe and healthy! To the parents and relatives of our Ashley students working on the frontlines during this time of emergency, please know we truly appreciate all of you and the services you're providing all of us...you all are heroes in our eyes!

Earlier today, Governor Whitmer held a press conference communicating the continuance of our school year. The details of her message were to close all school buildings for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year for delivering face-to-face instruction. Although this is emotionally straining on many levels, we are empowered to provide support and educational opportunities for our students. We are working diligently at this time to create those plans of action.

Please know our administrative, food service, instructional, and support staff team members have been working for the past 2-3 weeks in preparation for this announcement. We are tallying information about internet capabilities along with the number of home devices available to learn in an online environment provided by the staff at Ashley Community Schools. Please be assured Ashley Schools will continue to work to support families who don't have the connection or devices required to complete online learning. We will make sure your students are provided quality educational experiences.

Ashley Community Schools continues to work with our regional partners within Gratiot-Isabella RESD. Our regional team acknowledges that "together we can achieve more!" Consequently, please understand many meetings are taking place to provide support and educational services for your child. Please be patient and provide us additional time to complete our plans moving forward. More detailed information will be provided in upcoming days.

Together we will succeed!

Stay Safe and Healthy!

Traci Gavenda
Superintendent/High School Principal