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SCHOOL CORPORATION STRIVES FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

Memorandum

TO: Randolph Southern School Corporation Staff Members

FROM: Mr. Donnie Bowsman, Superintendent

DATE: April 3, 2020

SUBJECT: Governor Holcomb's Executive Order 20-16 Closing Schools for the

Remainder of the School Year

Students, Parents, Staff Members, and Community Members

On April 2, 2020, Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order 20-16. The executive order requires school corporations to provide instruction via remote learning for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year. Schools shall not conduct in-person instruction and buildings will remain closed with the exception of essential staff working to continue building operations. School corporations must complete a minimum of one-hundred sixty (160) days. The updated eLearning and Waiver Day schedule posted on the school corporation website complies with the requirement of Indiana Code 20-30-2-3. Teachers will continue delivering lessons via eLearning and instructional packets. Teachers and paraprofessionals will continue meeting IEP and ILP accommodations online and through instructional learning packets. Students must complete homework assignments and teacher generated assessments to meet the following requirements: attendance, academic grades, credit, and graduation. Bus drivers will deliver instructional packets on the following dates: April 13, April 20, April 27, May 4, and May 11. The final pickup of instructional materials will be on May 22. There are multiple resources for students, parents, teachers, and schools at the IDOE website https://www.doe.in.gov/.

Graduation Requirements:

The State Board of Education (SBOE) is responsible for the rules concerning graduation requirements. The Governor and SBOE have waived, suspended, and modified graduation requirements necessary for the 2020 graduation cohort group. Seniors must complete all course and credit requirements that will be delivered through eLearning or instructional packets. The graduation examination and students that have not been able to obtain a passing score on the graduation examination have been waived. Graduation pathways for the 2020 graduation cohort group have been waived. Students in grades 9-12 must complete the high school graduation requirements set forth in IC 20-32-5-1.5. The executive order provides flexibility for issuing a CORE 40, CORE 40 (Academic Honors), or CORE 40 (Technical Honors) diploma. A student must meet the course and credit requirements earned prior to and the courses enrolled in as of March 19, 2020. Students must have completed or is on track to complete at least one of the requirements outlined in Indiana CORE 40 Course and Credit Requirements posted on the school corporation website and the IDOE website.

Graduation:

Graduation ceremonies will be postponed as long as the "Hoosiers Stay At Home" Executive Order 20-08 issued on March 6, 2020 stays in effect. The school board and administration is having ongoing discussions related to issuing diplomas and alternatives for ceremonies. These unprecedented times are especially difficult for seniors that have worked extremely hard to meet this milestone. This should be a time for family celebration. Unfortunately, the health crisis has placed all Americans in a challenging and difficult position.

Lunches:

Grab & Go lunches continue to be available for any child under the age of 18 at the following locations: (1) Jr-Sr. High School, Door #1 and (2) Spartanburg Christian Church. The school corporation has fed many lunches over the last couple of weeks.

March 17: Spartanburg Christian Church= 28 and RSHS = 68

March 18:	SCC = 22 and $RSHS = 63$	March 19:	SCC = 19 and $RSHS = 69$
March 20:	SCC = 15 and $RSHS = 68$	March 23:	SCC = 18 and $RSHS = 60$
March 24:	SCC = 30 and $RSHS = 50$	March 25:	SCC = 25 and $RSHS = 56$
March 30:	SCC = 22 and $RSHS = 71$	March 31:	SCC = 21 and $RSHS = 84$
April 1:	SCC = 30 and $RSHS = 77$	April 2:	SCC = 29 and $RSHS = 92$

A total of 1017 lunches served! Thank you to our cafeteria staff and all of our essential staff for continuing to provide services during this health crisis.

Yours in Education,

Donnie Bousman

Mr. Donnie Bowsman, Superintendent