## Zavalla Independent School District

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Zavalla I.S.D. will be closed through April 3, 2020 to contain the spread of the novel coronavirus, or COVID-19. Additionally, all extracurricular activities, practices and athletic events are suspended while we are closed.

We do not make this decision lightly. We fully realize it presents significant difficulties to working parents. However, we are hopeful that these measures will better ensure the long-term health and safety of children, staff, and the larger community.

Homework/schoolwork packets will be available starting Tuesday morning, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. for all grade levels. Also, the distribution of food to address children's nutritional needs will be available. Lunches are free regardless of income. However, the children that are participating must be in the vehicle of the person picking up the food. We will serve meals on Tuesday & Thursday this week. Children participating will be provided two meals Tuesday and two meals on Thursday. This will minimize exposure and reduce travel for parents/guardians to pick up the meals. The week of Monday, March 30, 2020, we will serve on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. The location for lunches and packet pick-up will be by the cafeteria at the bus loading zone. If you cannot pick up your child's packet, please contact the campus office or Central administration office to make other arrangements. We will assist in delivery of these materials.

Additionally, we ask the broader community to take the following reasonable precautions to prevent the spread of the illness:

- Wash your hands regularly and DON'T shake hands
- Limit movement within the community, especially avoiding crowded placed and maintaining 3 to 6 feet of distance between people (arm's length)
- If you are out in the community, don't congregate in large groups
- For those who have traveled to areas with known COVID-19 cases both inside and outside of the country – we ask that you self-quarantine and monitor for symptoms. Students who have traveled should plan to stay home for two weeks after arriving home.
- If you suspect you have <u>symptoms</u> of COVID-19, call your health care provider for medical advice.
- Keep your child at home if he/she feels ill, even if you think it is just a cold.
- Do not leave the house if you are ill, except to access medical care

This is a quickly changing situation, and we will continue to monitor information, will assess conditions throughout the week, and will provide the next update by the first week of April via our call-out system, e-note text, and school Facebook & website.

Thank you for your support and cooperation as we ensure that all members of the community in Zavalla stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Mr. Oliver & the Z.I.S.D. Family