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Dear Almont Community Schools Students and Families,

I hope this letter finds you well and able to enjoy some of the improving weather. I have a handful of quick updates I wanted to pass along:

COVID-19 in Lapeer County: We are expected to see an increase in infections in Lapeer County of COVID-19 this and next week. As of this writing, forty-seven of our county residents have contracted the virus, but nineteen of those cases were identified just yesterday. Fortunately, as of today, we have seen no deaths.

There is a good deal of COVID-19 information on television and in social media, but I have found the best resource for local information on the virus can be found at:
<http://www.lapeercountyweb.org/index.php/11-departments/county-health-department/128-covid-19>

Meal Distribution: We will continue to provide student meals through curbside pickup on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11:30am- 1:00pm each day for the duration of this crisis. This week we will not be distributing meals on Good Friday the 10th of April. We will be handing out double meals on Wednesday the 8th.

Use of Campus: It has been great to see so many people taking advantage of the campus to get some exercise over the last few days, but please be sure to honor social distancing mandates when doing so. Remember that absolutely no sports or gatherings are permitted on our campus, even pickup games, during the quarantine. Also thank you for cleaning up after your dogs and policing your litter as this helps our custodians keep our campus clean.

Building Access: As we are nearing the apex of our projected cases, we cannot allow students in the schools right now to collect personal items. We will have system in place to make these collections possible in the coming weeks as the need for the strict quarantine measures diminishes.

Instruction: You will be receiving communication from your respective school principals in the coming days describing how we will be transitioning from the enrichment activities we have been doing since March 16, 2020 to more comprehensive instruction. These communications should also answer many of your questions regarding promotion, support services, grades and scheduling for 2020-2021. Please be patient with us as our instructions from the state have been developing on a daily basis.

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Mental Health and Well-Being: The Lapeer County Mental Health encourages students (all ages), parents, and individuals in the community to contact CMH through their crisis line if interested in COVID-19 support. The services are offered 24/7 over the phone via their crisis line at (810) 667-0500. Our principals will also provide information for families and students to access our school district support.

Future Communication: We will continue to provide updates to our parents and students through all of our traditional means moving forward. These include social media (the Almont Community Schools Facebook page), School Messenger, and our website <http://www.almontschools.org/>

Bearing in mind that this too shall pass, I wish you all continued good health as we navigate these uncertain times. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time at (810) 798-8561 or by email bkalmar@almontschools.org if I can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'W. Kalmar', is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

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