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Dear RUSD Families,

Today marks the beginning of the second week of school closure. We know you join us in hoping it ends soon. We want you to know that it is our goal to have students in school just as soon as it is safe to do so. However, while we are closed, we want to remind you that your children have the opportunity to complete the learning activities marked for week 2. Although it is optional and your child will not be penalized if they cannot complete the work, we highly recommend that your child do what they can to complete it so they remain on a schedule and remain focused on school.

We also want to give you information about our next steps for student learning opportunities:

1. This week is week 2 of the original learning activity packets.
2. Last week and this week principals are conducting virtual meetings with their teachers to create lesson schedules, lesson plans, and details about what their site's learning delivery models will look like. Sites are also developing guidelines for how much work to create for students, as we do not want to over burden students or parents.
3. This week teachers are creating lesson plans for delivery online (Zoom or Google Classroom) and also paper/pencil versions for those without access to internet.
4. Last week and this week teachers are reaching out to each family to check on how things are going and to ask a series of questions related device and internet access.
5. Although students are not required to complete any work provided, we strongly encourage students to complete it and teachers will assess the work and provide feedback.
6. The week of March 30 – April 3 will be the first week we are expecting teachers to test their online delivery plans. Students will be invited to participate.
7. Spring break is April 6-10.
8. Should we still be closed after spring break, we will fully implement our distance learning and more specific, focused paper/pencil learning options beginning April 13.

We thank you for your patience. It cannot be easy to deal with your own jobs, family, childcare, and now working closely with your child as they do school work. Our hearts go out to you. We are here for you if you need suggestions or help. Please reach out to your site principal or teacher. You may also contact me at colson@my.rescueusd.org.

Sincerely,
Cheryl Olson, Superintendent

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