## GREENFIELD UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT



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Dear Parent, Guardians, and Community of Greenfield,

Yesterday, we shared with you that ALL Monterey County school districts have joined forces and have now extended our school closure period that will be released to all Monterey County residents via a press release. Our school closure period is now effective through May 1st with a planned return date of May 4th for students. This return date is, of course, subject to change with new information released daily from Monterey County, our State Department of Education, and Governor Newsom's office released daily.

As of March 18, 2020, **GUSD offices and schools remain closed to the public** to slow the spread of COVID-19 with several services still available to students and families:

- <u>Meal service</u>: We are adjusting our **meal hours to 8:30-10:30am on Mondays and Wednesdays only** to further reduce human contact for all students under the age of 18. Each Monday, students will receive 2 breakfast and 2 lunch meals. Each Wednesday, students will receive 3 breakfast and 3 lunch meals. We will also continue to deliver meals and will send out a separate letter regarding meal service to all families. Please join me in celebrating our classified cafeteria and transportation staff who care for our children.
- <u>Learning Packets</u>: Our teacher teams will continue to offer support with the curriculum packets as not to interrupt the continuity of learning for your student during this time. You will receive the next two weeks of learning soon. These materials will be mailed home to all students and your teachers will be available to support students via phone or video conference during normal school hours. Your school principal and teachers will reach out to you with more information on how to keep in touch during this closure. There is still no planned education during our spring break, April 13-17, 2020.
- <u>Distance Learning:</u> Our technology team is working incredibly fast to get a Chromebook in the hand of EVERY single student in all grades PreK-8 so that we may smoothly transition to online learning. Our distribution dates are April 1st-9th with a detailed schedule that you received last night. We also continue to work with external agencies that will assist families who do not currently have WIFI access. You also received information on how to set up FREE WIFI art your home. Please let us know if you need help.
- Grading and Report Cards: Quarter 3 grades will be coming to you very soon and will only reflect student progress through March 13th. Quarter 4 grades will be based on student completion of our curriculum packets and their distance learning interactions with their teacher/s. We want to make sure that everyone involved makes a "good faith" effort to complete all packets. More information to follow in the next few weeks.
- Ongoing Deep cleaning of Classrooms: Our wonderful maintenance, operations, facility and other
  instructional classified team members continue to disinfect all classrooms and school facilities to
  ensure we have clean, safe classrooms and facilities for our students and staff.
- **SVMHS Mobile Health Clinic on Mondays:** The mobile health clinic **WILL NOT** continue to come to the Family Resource Center and be available every Monday from 9:00 am-5:00pm to support our families. They have suspended this service until further notice.
- <u>Family Resource Center on Mondays:</u> The Family Resource Center will have staff available every Monday from 9:00 am-5:00pm to support our families.
- Monterey County Food Bank: The Monterey County Food Bank and National Guard will begin delivering large quantities of food to Greenfield USD residents for distribution to our 3,700 families. A schedule will be forthcoming that will outline where, when, and who will distribute the food. Please look for that information in the next week.
- <u>Greenfield USD websites</u> is still available with a designated coronavirus webpage where the latest information will be posted. The district website is: <u>www.greenfield.k12.ca.us</u>

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• <u>Shelter-in-Place:</u> We urge everyone to follow this executive order and NOT allow your children or family members to gather in groups. This is <u>CRITICAL</u> for all to follow so that we slow the spread of COVID-19 and can safely return to school in the future. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Please continue to take all possible precautions** to help reduce the risk of spreading germs to others. Center for Disease Control and Department of Public Health recommends everyday personal prevention actions:

- **Stay home** when you are sick. Stay home for at least 72 hours after you no longer have a fever or symptoms of a fever without the use of fever-reducing medicines.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue, and then dispose of the tissue and clean your hands immediately. If you do not have a tissue, use your sleeve. Never use your hands to cover your mouth as this will only spread germs as soon as you touch something.
- Maintain six feet distance between people to follow the social distancing rule.
- Limit all contact to within household only. This means no playdates or get-togethers that would increase the number of people in a group! Students should not be gathering in groups such as visiting playgrounds, parks, or playing outside with others or socializing with other peers during this time.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray, wipes, or soap and water.
- If you are taking a trip to the store or have any appointments, please **leave your children at home** to reduce exposure.

For the latest health guidelines, please visit:

- The Monterey County Health Department and Center for Disease Control https://www.montereycountyclinicservices.org/
- **United Way** by dialing "2-1-1" or visiting their comprehensive 211 webpage at <a href="https://www.unitedwaymcca.org/211">https://www.unitedwaymcca.org/211</a>.
- The office of Governor Gavin Newsom at https://www.gov.ca.gov/

We appreciate your support and patience as we all work through this together. We understand that this is not an ideal situation, but this action is being done for the best health outcomes for our families, staff and community. Following these measures is the best response to this pandemic.

Sincerely,

Zandra Jo Galván Superintendent