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Dear Parents and Families,

I want to provide you with a few important updates regarding our preparations for the reopening of school via our Stonington Distance Learning Plan on Monday, March 30th. First, we are offering a drive-through chromebook pick up service out of the Food Services pick up location at **Stonington High School** per the schedule below.

West Vine Street School students: Tuesday 3/24 11am-3pm at SHS

Deans Mill School students: Wednesday 3/25 11am-3pm at SHS

Stonington High School students: Thursday 3/26 11am-3pm at SHS

(Stonington Middle School students all have Chromebooks already)

Each Chromebook will be provided with a quick start guide to using the device including joining your home network and logging in. Should you have any issues with the device (broken microphone or camera, keyboard, etc.) contact the IT Department through secretary, Heather Lebovitz at 860-572-0506 extension 2154 between the hours of 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday-Friday.

The district curriculum team has crafted two documents to help you understand what the online and offline learning environment for your children will look like as of next week. The same information is provided in two formats to meet your preference of accessing the information. In each document you will find information concerning our expectations of students in this new learning environment as well as specific things parents and families can do to support their child's learning as you partner with us in launching this new model of teaching and learning. Important tips are included to help you prepare for "the first day of school" next week when building principals and teachers will officially welcome back students to schools. Schedules for each school are also included as well as time for Online Support when teachers will be available in "real time" to answer questions and provide extra help to students. You will find these documents and other resources for families at [Family Resources for Distance Learning](#) on the Stonington Public Schools district webpage. Please make a habit of checking the district page frequently as it is a centralized location where you will find all updated information about any changes we are making to our schools and programming related to the Covid-19 virus.

There are still many unanswered questions and more information will be provided as things develop should the school closure become extended beyond Monday, April 20, 2020. Stay safe and stay healthy.

Dr. Van Riley
Superintendent