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To Novi Community School District Parents and Community Members:

Learning

Our Novi teachers placed new learning opportunities online today. The materials are either on SeeSaw or Schoology. If you are having trouble accessing those resources please contact your principal and they can help you navigate.

Return to School

It is still unclear when we will return to school. The Michigan House of Representatives was scheduled to return from a recess today - March 25. But they have decided not to return until, at the earliest, April 1. As a result the legislature is taking no action on the days that we have missed.

As I have mentioned before, there are two options. One is to forgive the days - similar to snow days. The other is to make us make-up days.

The legislature is punting on this issue. They are saying that the Governor and the State Superintendent have the authority to decide what happens. At this point, the Governor and State Superintendent have not acted.

So we sit in limbo.

The Governor seemed to indicate, when she ordered her stay-at-home order, that an announcement on schools was coming. But as of Wednesday, no order has been issued.

Playgrounds

As you have noticed our Novi Community School District playgrounds are not accessible. We have placed caution tape around the playgrounds per the order of the Oakland County Executive who issued an order to close all playgrounds. When that order is lifted we will remove the caution tape.

Food Service

We continue to provide a seven day supply of grab and go breakfasts and lunches for our students every Tuesday from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Just drive into the Taft Rd. (bus loop) lot and our Food Service staff will serve you each Tuesday.

Building Cleanliness

Our custodial staff has gone through our buildings to deep clean and disinfect all classrooms and common spaces. They continue to work on cleaning projects during this period of closure. Before we return to school, our custodial staff will deep clean again.

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If you have questions or concerns you can reach out to your building principal or to me - <u>steven.matthews@novik12.org</u>.

Thank you for all your support during this closure. I am proud of how we have reacted as a community.

Remember our social media effort to keep us all together during this time of being apart - #NoviTogether.

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