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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding during these most challenging times. We have done our very best to communicate current information in this rapidly changing environment. Please know that at this point in time, there has not been a confirmed COVID-19 case of a student or staff member in the Seaford School District. As the administrative and teacher leadership teams were meeting this morning to establish a plan to close schools, Nassau County Executive Laura Curran announced that Nassau County schools would be closed from March 16<sup>th</sup> through March 27<sup>th</sup>.

As a result of this announcement and in an abundance of caution, the following plan is being implemented:

Closure of Buildings:

All students and staff will not be able to enter the buildings during this time of closure. Buildings are also closed for all outside organizations.

Planning for Continuity of Instruction:

As mentioned in the letter dated March 12, 2020, earlier this week administrators and teachers began planning for the continuity of instruction in the event of an extended closure. Educational resources have been prepared and will be made available to students from their teachers via various electronic platforms such as Edmodo, Remind, Class Websites, Office 365, etc. By March 19<sup>th</sup>, every building will post on their website a listing of the electronic platforms that will be used by each teacher. These materials will be made available daily starting Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at the following times:

Manor – 9:00 AM  
Harbor – 9:00 AM  
Middle School – 8:00 AM  
High School – 7:30 AM

While students are home they are encouraged to maintain a schedule for completing the assignments and it is the expectation that all students will make every effort to complete the assigned work. If you have any questions, please email your child's teacher and if further clarification is required email a building administrator.

Transportation:

There will be no transportation services during this period of closure, including for students who attend out-of-district placements.

Availability of Meals:

Beginning on Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, the District will have breakfast and lunch meals available to any student that needs it for pick-up. This will take place between the hours of 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM at the Seaford High School cafeteria accessed via the Joy Court parking lot. The meals will be distributed to bring home, as the cafeteria will not be available. This will continue until schools re-open.

Mental Health Resources:

In order to provide you with additional resources for the mental health needs of students and the community, we have posted on the District website a Quick Link entitled *Mental Health Resources*. These materials include information about speaking to your children about COVID-19.

Social Distancing:

We urge all families to practice social distancing as recommended by the Center for Disease Control (CDC). Social distancing means:

- Remaining home and only going out for essential reasons such as food and medicine
- Avoiding mass gatherings
- Maintain distance (6 feet) from others when possible
- Practice strict respiratory etiquette and hygiene. This includes covering nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing, washing hands for 20 seconds or using a hand sanitizer.

On behalf of the Board of Education and the entire administrative team, thank you for your continued support and trust during this most difficult time. I am proud to serve the community as its superintendent and am grateful for the dedication of the administrators and teachers who assisted in constructing this plan.

Yours in Seaford Pride,

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