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WJUSD Community:

Last week marked a departure from our normal home habits as well as those routine schedules associated with our school community. Students are learning in different ways, teachers are supporting in different ways, classified staff are supporting our school sites, and families are facing the challenge to support their children in their studies while balancing other responsibilities.

I want to thank our community for their patience and support as we very quickly put systems in place to deliver meals, sanitize classrooms and complete needed repairs, and provide resources to all of our students.

We have posted a daily schedule for students on our website with some online resources as well as providing student learning packets for younger students. And, we have encouraged teachers to reach out to students to help communicate and reinforce that these resources are available to them while we work towards solidifying our distance learning platform. Additionally, we have asked our staff to use their relationships with your students to help reassure them that we are all working together to support their learning and well-being through these uncertain times.

The Educational Services Department has been working tirelessly to develop voluntary grade level enrichment and learning resources for families to access while we work on transitioning to a more defined distance learning platform.

This past Friday, March 20th, our families received auto calls, emails, and social media announcements regarding the following resources (available in English & Spanish):

- TK-12th Grade Levels: Online Grade Level Enrichment & Learning Resources
- TK-6th Grade Levels: Enrichment & Learning Packets

These resources are posted on our District's website, school websites, and social media platforms. Also, TK-6th grade learning packets will be available for families who may not have access to online services. We have informed parents that the learning packets will be distributed beginning today Monday, March 23rd and tomorrow, Tuesday, March 24th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at our meal pick-up locations (Gibson Elem., Prairie Elem., Sci-Tech Charter, Tafoya Elem., Douglass MS, Lee MS, Pioneer HS, Woodland HS, and Cache Creek HS).

In addition, please understand that meal delivery will continue despite having a statewide "stay at home" order.

In the coming weeks, our Educational Services staff will be working with our site administration and staff to develop our online learning platform just in case we need to extend our school closures beyond April 20th. As always, we are in constant contact with the California Department of Education (CDE), Yolo County, Yolo County Office of Education, and other districts in our area to keep abreast of the situation as it develops. This morning LA Unified extended their closure through May 1st and as more information comes from the Governor, we will determine if that is needed for WJUSD as well.

Please keep checking our website and social media outlets for updated information and again, thank you for your continued support.

Tom Pritchard



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