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ETIWANDA SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE TO FAMILIES

March 20, 2020

We appreciate your cooperation, patience, and partnership as new information is released and we continue to adapt. We remain steadfast in our focus on student wellness and learning and know that together we will overcome the challenges our community is currently facing.

Spring break is scheduled for March 23-27. We hope you find time during the week of Spring Break to take care of yourselves and your families and find comfort in the remarkable ways our community and country are uniting to support one another. Distance learning lessons and “Grab and Go” meals will resume again on Monday, March 30.

All State Testing has been suspended by California’s Governor Newsom. This means that CAASPP testing (Smarter Balanced, CA Science Test, and Cal Alternate/CAA) and ELPAC language fluency testing is canceled for the 2019-20 school year. This decision is still pending federal approval by the Department of Education.

Chromebook Distribution An additional Chromebook distribution opportunity will be scheduled after Spring Break. We will share information about the last pick-up date when it becomes available.

Virtual Field Trip Fridays began today. Please visit our Etiwanda School District Facebook page each Friday of the school closure period to see where Etiwanda students will be going. Today’s trip is to the Monterey Bay Aquarium where students can spot sharks, rays and other fish as they cruise through the rocky reef at <http://ow.ly/lyRT50yQBGR>.

Updates to Families will not be posted daily during Spring Break, unless urgent information needs to be shared. Our next regular update is scheduled for Friday, March 27.

We are grateful for the many **Messages of Appreciation** sent our way through emails and social media posts in the last few days. We have an amazing team of employees in this district and your recognition of their efforts to serve the community is much appreciated. There are many who are working behind the scenes to make sure lunches are prepped, websites are updated, students have the tools they need for learning, technology is updated, and messages are answered and we thank you for recognizing that it’s a team effort here in Etiwanda.

Information pertaining to COVID-19 is fluid. Frequent updates will be posted to our District website which can be found at www.etiwanda.org and on our social media platforms (Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter). We encourage you to check these platforms regularly.