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Greetings Raider Nation:

First of all, I want to start off by thanking all of you for your patience and understanding during these difficult times. This has been a total team effort with teachers, students and parents. Together, we will get through this and become a stronger unit.

Here are a few things that I want to pass along:

1. Reminder that the Governor has shut down school until further notice. What this means is that we will continue to deliver our instructions as we currently are doing. This also means that students are not permitted in schools or on school property. As the weather gets nicer, kids are going to want to be outside, which is great. But they are not allowed to be on school property, which includes the playgrounds. Thank you for your help on keeping your children safe and healthy.
2. Two of the biggest ways to slow the spread of this virus is hand washing and social distancing. I would like to ask for your help on keeping our students at a safe distance from each other. Please refrain from having social gatherings so students can keep their distance. As Governor Burgum states it, we all need to be North Dakota smart. "Do your part, Stay apart"
3. We will continue to provide lunch and breakfast to all who sign up. If the numbers continue to increase (which would be awesome), we may go to a pick-up point in each community. We would continue to run bus routes to get meals to our students living in the country. Keep in mind that there is a link on the webpage to sign up for the meals. Also, these meals are free of charge.
4. At this time, we will continue the Friday (or last school day of the week) to run routes to drop off and pick up materials. Please follow the instructions from your child's principal to help keep this process efficient as well as safe. Please check the website for times and protocols.
5. I have seen some really amazing projects and schoolwork during these times. Our teachers are amazing, and our students continue to learn at a high level. Keep up the great efforts.
6. I am proud to announce that our required Distance Learning plan has been approved by the Governor. It is posted on the web site. We will make every effort to implement this plan to ensure our students receive their high-quality instruction.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any of your children's teachers or the administration. As stated, together we will get through this.

Pat Windish