A Message from the Superintendent of

Hílltop Schools

To All Hilltop Parents/Guardians:

COVID-19 Update on April 21, 2020

<u>Governor DeWine extended the closure of all schools through the end of this school year</u>. Therefore, we will continue the delivery of electronic lessons through May. More specific information about the end of the school year, such as how to pick up student belongings, graduation details, etc., will be announced in the coming days. Please be patient as we continue planning how best to finish the school year. Also, please keep in mind that almost all remaining events this year will likely be canceled or postponed until further notice, except for senior graduation. Once our "end-of-the-year" plan is in place, we will communicate the details to you.

Instruction for the remaining of the school year:

- 1. If your child is unable to access online lessons, please contact your teacher. Also, please login to PowerSchool to check your student's grades and to monitor progress in completing assignments.
- 2. <u>If needed</u>, hard copies of essential schoolwork will be delivered as follows:
 - a. Drop off and pickup of hard copies April 30 & May 14:
 - School personnel and the local police department plan to deliver hard copies of educational materials on <u>April 30 & May 14</u>. If someone comes to your door to deliver new packets, <u>please have previous work ready for pickup</u>. <u>The child's FIRST NAME</u>, <u>LAST NAME</u>, and <u>GRADE LEVEL need to be on the outside of return envelopes</u>.

 - It is important during this exchange of materials to follow social distancing requirements.
 - Packets will be delivered/picked up at homes of students who do not have online access.
 - If students have previous schoolwork for return and it is not picked up, please find a way to deliver the materials through electronic means (email a PDF; take a picture of the work and email it; use Google Classroom, etc.). Homework drop off boxes will also be available by Hilltop Elementary on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8:00 am 3:00 pm. <u>All homework is due back by May 21.</u>

Food:

- Food is available for students and families in need on Mondays & Thursdays, from 12:00 4:00
 pm. Hilltop Schools and various community groups are teaming up to make sure families don't go
 hungry. The school, area churches, the Chamber of Commerce and the Village of West Unity are all
 collecting food. The police department is partnering with us to deliver food to anyone who is unable to
 pick it up. We are so grateful the community generously supports our Food Bank.
- 2. We plan to continue the distribution of food at Hilltop Elementary through May 28. Please park at Hilltop Elementary and walk up to the front entrance to receive food.
- 3. To help us assemble groceries specifically for your family or to have food delivered to your home, please email Amy Welling awelling@hiltopcadets.org or call her at (419) 551-7112.

It is important we continue to follow Governor DeWine's directives to keep us safe from COVID-19. If we all work together, we will limit the impact of the Coronavirus on our community.

In order to stay current with information on this rapidly changing situation, you may find the following link helpful: <u>http://www.hilltop.k12.oh.us/SchoolNurse.aspx</u>

Sincerely,

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