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PRIOR WRITTEN NOTICE RE SCHOOL CLOSURE

March 19, 2020

Dear SUSD Families & Students,

As you know from the letters sent out by the Superintendent yesterday, the Stockton Unified School District (SUSD) has determined that it is necessary to close its school(s) to prevent/contain the spread of COVID-19. All SUSD classes and school-related activities have been canceled for three weeks through Monday, April 6th, 2020. This letter is being posted as further information for your student with respect to special education services and supports.

The decision to close the school until April 6, 2020 is based on the current information and advice from governmental and public health agencies. If the situation changes, and we need to be closed for a longer period of time, we will again reach out to update you regarding next steps for your child.

During the school closure, SUSD will continue to provide grade-level appropriate materials for your child to continue distance learning at home for the purpose of maintaining skills. Your student’s special education supports and services will resume along with the regular program when the District re-opens. We are also exploring options for providing related services (that may be part of your student’s IEP) enrichment activities as part of the distance learning. The development of these options will depend on feasibility under the circumstances, and we will update the community if and when these become available.

As discussed in the Superintendent’s letter, beginning Monday, March 23rd, 2020 learning materials will be available for distribution at the following locations and times:

Dates	Time(s)	Site
Monday, March 23rd  through  Friday, March 27th	7:30AM-8:30AM  11:30AM-12:30PM  3:30PM-4:30PM	All SUSD schools <i>Near the daily student drop off location(s)</i>  SUSD District Office 701 N. Madison <i>Parking Lot</i>

The student learning materials being distributed are also be available online at [www.stocktonusd.net/LearnFromHome](http://www.stocktonusd.net/LearnFromHome) and on all SUSD school websites. On this page we have also included the quick links to our adopted curriculum (e.g., i-Ready, Benchmark, Pearson, etc.) In addition, we have provided a list of free, online educational resources and support for students.



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School staff, central office personnel, and community volunteers will be available to support with the distribution of student learning materials. Signage with directions will be displayed to ensure smooth pick up of learning materials that will be sorted by grade level or course. To adhere to social distancing, students and families are asked not to stay and congregate on the school premises. Please submit questions by emailing the classroom teacher or [www.stocktonusd.net/COVID-19](http://www.stocktonusd.net/COVID-19). Classroom teachers will be available during school hours to answer emails from students and parents if there are questions or additional information is needed.

Families who need support with Internet access can apply for two free months of service with Comcast through its Internet Essentials program at [www.internetessentials.com](http://www.internetessentials.com) or by calling 1-800-934-6489. Xfinity WiFi hotspots across the nation are also available to anyone who needs them for free – including non-Xfinity Internet subscribers. For a map of Xfinity WiFi hotspots, visit [www.xfinity.com/wifi](http://www.xfinity.com/wifi).

The student materials provided are part of a short term plan to ensure students continue to engage in learning opportunities. At this time, students are not required to complete distance learning assignments for credit or a grade. However, we are asking that students retain all completed distance learning assignments to aid your student's teachers and service providers in ascertaining the level of skill maintenance and what additional supports, if any, would be needed once schools re-open.

We recognize that the impact of school closure will vary substantially among students, their families, teachers and staff, as well as the entire community. SUSD's primary concern is to prioritize the long term health and well-being of its students, families, and employees, and it is committed to mitigating the impact of school closure on each student upon reopening.

In making its determination, SUSD reviewed and considered the following:

- Recommendations from the CDC,
- Recommendations from the CDE,
- Recommendations from the DPH, and
- All other relevant information available to the District,

Finally, please be advised that the parents of a child with a disability have protection under the federal parental rights and procedural safeguards set forth in 34 C.F.R. Part 300. We have posted a copy of the procedural safeguards on this website. If you would like a copy of the procedural safeguards mailed to you, please let me know.



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Other sources which you may contact to obtain assistance in understanding the provisions of the enclosed procedural safeguards are:

Stockton City Unified SELPA  
1541 E. March Lane  
Stockton, CA 95210

and

California Department of Education  
P.O. Box 944272  
Sacramento, CA 94244-2720

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (209) 933.7120 ext. 2500 or email me at [VincentHernandez@stocktonusd.net](mailto:VincentHernandez@stocktonusd.net).

Sincerely,

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