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March 26, 2020

Greetings patrons, staff, and students,

Has your family established their new routine yet? Have you? While I have yet established the structure conducive for home-learning, I have restructured my own routines in the wake of this new setting. I have made it a priority and routine to communicate with parents and patrons daily since March 14. At this point, you may have grown tired of hearing from me. Perhaps the frequency is not a necessity for some. After all, the status of this situation (as it pertains to school) has remained level for the past few days. Parents and students are also now receiving frequent communication from their principals and teachers. One could debate as to the need for all of this communication.

One purpose of my daily communication was to establish a routine and maintain the school-family connection. USD 415 values our relationships with families, students, and the community. It is my hope the routine communication helps to maintain those connections and relationships. This is especially important given the circumstances. While I will gradually decrease the frequency of my messages to you, my colleagues (teachers, administrators) will increase the frequency of theirs. As instruction starts next week, the communication valve will be opened and the information and activity will flow with force. It is never our intent to overwhelm families during this crisis. We don't wish to cause more hardship than is currently being experienced. Please know our educators will be eager listeners. Please let them know of any needs or concerns you or your child may have. While much of their communication will be instructional, the most crucial portion will be about the relationship and the well-being of students and families.

On the following page you will find a link to a parent resource that may prove helpful. I've also included the meal distribution information. I appreciate your continued support and patience. We are all in this together. That is how I know we will prevail.

Sincerely,

Lonnie Moser, Superintendent

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Literacy Network of Kansas Resource

 $\underline{https://www.litnetks.org/link-blog/2020/3/23/a-family-perspective-how-to-support-your-childs-learning-at-home}$

Meal Distribution Schedules

| Location | | Time |
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| Reserve | Bus Stop | 10:30 AM – 11:00 AM |
| White Cloud | Boys and Girls Club 2169 Iowa Dr. White Cloud | 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM |
| Hamlin | City Park | 1:00 PM – 1:30 PM |
| Hiawatha Elementary School | Pick-Up/Drop off lane | 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM |
| Robinson | Old Legion Hall 212 Main St. Robinson | 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM |
| Powhattan | City Park | 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM |
| Fairview | City Park | 11:30 AM – 12:15 PM |