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DCS Families,

I hope that you are all healthy and taking care of yourselves. At least once a week, I'll try to email you with important information. At the same time, I know you're getting communication from teachers and principals, and I don't want to overwhelm you. If you have any questions that have not been answered, don't hesitate to reach out to me or the building principals.

Here's the latest:

- Beginning on Monday, 3/30, DCS will be going to a two-day per week food delivery and pick-up schedule. The stops and the times will be the same, but will be on two days (Monday & Thursday). On Monday, you'll get food for Monday-Wednesday and on Thursday you'll get food for Thursday and Friday. This will help to minimize the amount of interaction between our food service workers and our families as we try to follow State directives. It is also less of a stress on our families who may not be able to get to the pick-up locations on a daily basis. This information will be posted on Facebook and our webpage tomorrow. It's attached for you in the email.
- If you need additional assistance with food, the Deposit Food Pantry is still open from 3:00 – 6:00 on Thursdays. If you do not have transportation, they are making deliveries. If you need more information, you can call Julia Wheeler, our Community Schools Coordinator, at 607-221-3977 or [jwheeler@deposit.stier.org](mailto:jwheeler@deposit.stier.org)
- I am still waiting on information from the State and local government about the re-opening of school. As soon as I have additional information, I will notify all of you. As of now, teachers have provided/will provide instruction through April 3<sup>rd</sup>. The week after that was scheduled as spring break. This will be a non-working week for teachers and students. If we get the official notification that we are closed for a longer period, teachers will prepare their plans to continue remote instruction and new information will be provided to you about accessing materials. I am hopeful that we will have this information by the end of this week so that we can continue with our planning.

- Many of you are concerned about the loss of activities that are normally associated with your child's senior year (or any other year). We feel the same way. Although I can't promise anything because of the unknown timeline, I will say that we will do whatever is in our power to make those important things happen for your children.
- MS/HS parents, if your child is having any issues related to technology, please call our tech. hotline at 607-766-3800. Please note that parents and students will be asked to confirm their identity by verifying the students name, building, grade and date of birth before any changes to account information (i.e. password resets) are made. BOCES has also created a School Closure Technology Support for Students and Families website, which can be accessed [here](#). This page gives families information and assistance on how to utilize MyApps, Google, Schoology and other remote learning tools while students attend school remotely.  
<https://sites.google.com/btboces.org/school-closure-technology-supp/>

On behalf of the Deposit Central School District, we're all wishing you health and peace during this uncertain time.

Sincerely,

*Denise Cook, Superintendent*