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Good Afternoon Panther Families,

The Pine Valley Campus remains closed to students until further notice as our state and nation work to slow the curve of the COVID 19 pandemic. Our staff will continue to provide services to our students by delivering meals and learning opportunities.

Once again, our number one priority as your school is to support our families. We are here to serve and be a resource to you during this difficult time. Please note the updates below for changes to our current offerings and protocols.

1. The District is now only open to essential employees. Each employee will be screened utilizing strict protocols prior to entering the building. The employees on site will be encouraged and supported in using social distancing while working. If one of these employees is exposed or exhibits any symptoms, they will not be permitted in the building. All other employees are working and logging their work from home.
2. We understand the necessity to provide meals and instruction to our students. Due to this, we must keep our working staff healthy as this requires too much manpower for a small group to manage. In order to limit staff exposure, **we are asking ALL families to put a box, cooler or bin away from your door. PLEASE DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR TO GREET THE DELIVERY PERSON. We would love to see waves and smiles from windows.** Meals and instructional materials will be dropped into that box, and all human contact will be eliminated. We regret that this change is necessary but want to protect everyone's safety.
3. Starting April 20, we will be providing breakfast and lunch for all seven days of the week. The meals for weekends will be included with your Friday delivery. These meals are reimbursable for us as a school, and we recognize the financial strain this time has had on many of our families. Therefore, since we can help in this way, we will do so.
4. Deliveries will now take place only on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. On these days, you will be supplied with enough food for your students for the days when we do not deliver. There will be no delivery taking place during the week of April 10 – 17. The meals for students for these days will be pre-delivered on April 6 - 9.
5. Grades have been a hot topic among staff and parents. We received guidance on Friday, March 27, from the New York State Education Department on this topic as well as on curriculum. Grades for the third quarter will be taken from what was entered prior to the closure. Grades moving forward will look different than our traditional model. We will keep you updated as this evolves.
6. We are waiting for more information on Regents exams but know that New York State grades 3-8 assessments have been canceled.
7. Learning opportunity deliveries will still take place on Mondays. Learning opportunities for April 10-17 will be sent home on April 9 as well.

8. A new survey will be shared on our website and social media platforms to help us pinpoint the levels of connectivity in our district. This is important to help us support families as we navigate future learning opportunities. A technology agreement will be sent home for students in grades 3-6 as we continue to explore the possibility of sending home technology. This will need to be signed and return to the district.

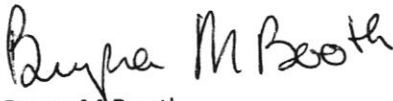
In addition to the resources being delivered, please check out our district website, Facebook page and Twitter pages for educational videos that are being produced by the district:

- Panther Progress videos are a series of videos being created to provide tips and teacher tricks for families who may want them. These go out on Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Read Aloud videos of favorite children's books performed by staff go out on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Mindful Mondays are a series of activities aimed to help children focus and build emotional resilience.
- Fun Fridays will provide a variety of ways for our Panther family to connect on social media if they so choose.

We are a family in Pine Valley, and family sticks together. We are here to serve you, and we don't take that lightly.

***Take care of our kids***  
***Take care of our families***  
***Take care of our team***

Very Truly Yours,



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