

DC-G Families,

As events continue to develop we want to keep you up to date as things change. We continue to be thankful for your patience as we work through scenarios during this unique time. This is the first day that students would be back in buildings from Spring Break and we wanted to touch base on our plans for communication moving forward. We will be working with building principals and teachers this week to contact students and families via email. This weekend we were informed by the United States Department of Education that we have more latitude in communicating with our students and families than what was previously recommended to school districts. As we navigate this new normal we will continue to keep the lines of communication open. Please see below for updates.

### **Grab-and-Go Meals Offered**

DC-G will be offering grab-and-go meals to serve both the Dallas Center and Grimes communities at South Prairie Elementary and Dallas Center Elementary starting Wednesday, March 25. Breakfast and lunch will be included in one bag. We received approval from the USDA to provide this program. Meals will be provided to all children without charge. We are able to serve ANY child 1 - 18 years of age. Regardless of what school your child attends or where they live, you may access meals from these locations. Each meal will consist of protein, grain, fruit, vegetable and milk. We will be distributing meals between 10 am and 1 pm at each location. These will be available as a curbside pickup at the north kitchen door at South Prairie Elementary and the east door of Dallas Center Elementary.

### **Talking with Your Child About COVID-19**

We suggest taking time to talk to your child about COVID-19. Please use [this](#) document as a resource for a place to get started.

### **Reminder Buildings are Closed**

Buildings closed today, March 23 at 3 pm. If you need anything from a building, please reach out to your building principal or the district office via phone or email.

### **Iowa Core End of Year Expectations**

The Iowa Core Parent Guides, in English and Spanish, were developed to provide an overview of what students will learn by the end of each grade level as directed by the Iowa Core, our statewide academic standards.

A guide was developed for each grade level kindergarten through grade 8 and one for high school students. The guides include a brief overview of what will be learned in each subject area of the Iowa Core, examples of what your child's work at school may look like, and examples of how you can help your child at home.

[Access the guide here.](#)

We will continue to communicate with you about the rapidly changing situation. Thank you for your partnership. If you have any additional questions you can always reach me at [scott.grimes@dcschools.com](mailto:scott.grimes@dcschools.com).

Thank You,

Scott Grimes, Superintendent