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DISTANCE LEARNING PLAN FOR EDGERTON ELEMENTARY

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Hello Edgerton Families,

I hope this email finds you and your family healthy. We at Edgerton miss your children so much. It has been nice to see a few healthy faces during our materials pick up yesterday and today. I am so proud of our school community and our individual efforts to continue to keep learning going in these challenging times. A huge thank you to the staff who have each been preparing for distance learning over the past weeks.

We are planning to have staff available in our gymnasium available for materials pick up each school day from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Please look for communication from your teacher about materials. We are making efforts to deliver materials when pick up is not an option for a family. Currently, the drop off system has some limitations, so every effort you can make to pick up materials aides in timely instruction for your child.

I know and understand there is a lot of change and uncertainty at this time. Your family's health and well-being is always our priority and we are committed to continuing your child's education while away from school due to COVID-19 (coronavirus). Governor Tim Walz has declared that all schools in Minnesota will begin offering distance learning this coming **Monday through at least April 30**. At this time, the governor is asking schools to prepare for students returning to school buildings on Tuesday, May 5. Please keep in mind that these plans could change. This message is to provide you with an overview of our distance learning plans.

Why distance-learning days?

Our distance-learning plan provides students with new learning and sustains previous learning. Our task is to create meaningful experiences related to learning goals and outcomes, aligned with state academic standards. With your help at home, we can make instruction and learning as meaningful as possible.

How distance-learning days work

Your classroom teacher will be in communication with your children. This communication may be in Seesaw, Google Classroom or other tool chosen by the teacher. As a district, we are working to increase our use of Seesaw is a communication tool.

Distance instruction can be electronic and/or using paper, depending upon the developmental level of your children and access to technology. The district is working on getting technology to the families who have no access or devices at this time.

Teachers will be available during the school day to answer questions and provide guidance as noted in the staff availability section below.

We want to ensure that students have the social and emotional support they need during distance learning. Elementary teachers will incorporate social and emotional support for students in their instruction daily. If you



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feel your child needs additional support, please let your classroom teacher know and they will connect with our student support team. We want children to feel cared for and supported by their school community and trusted adults they have relationships with.

Please review the distance learning [student/family checklist](#) as a way to be sure your family is ready for distance learning.

Staff availability

Teachers will be available for students and families daily, Monday-Friday between **9 – 11 a.m. and 1 – 3 p.m.** We will be following the same school [calendar](#) regarding non-school days (e.g., April 10 is a non-school day). Elementary teachers will post online learning activities or guidance each day before 9 a.m. Teachers who specifically support special education, 504 plans, intervention, and English learner programming will reach out to students and families to provide support and learning.

Daily Time Commitments & Routines

The guidelines for student time commitments are not to exceed 60% of a class period or school day:

- Grades K – 2: Approximately 1 – 2 hours per day.
- Grades 3 – 6: Approximately 2 – 3 hours per day; this includes homework.

If students are not available during 9 – 11 a.m. or 1 – 2 p.m., they can do their learning another time. Teachers and schools will communicate more with individual families regarding what this will look like for your child.

We will improve our distance learning as teachers and students become more comfortable, so expect that distance learning may change overtime. We are doing all we can to set students and teachers up for success. We also want to gather feedback from students, families and staff to learn what is working and what is not. We will continue to work closely with students and families to review distance learning and your students' needs. Please visit isd623.org/covid19 for the latest information about how our schools are responding to the spread of COVID-19.

Thank you for your patience and support as we grow in this time.

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