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Good day!

This has been a time of uncertainty and stress for many. I want you to know that we are going to work hard to make your child's school experience the best that we can. Over the past two weeks, staff has been working with different tools to deliver relevant standards-based instruction to students. The directive to our staff is to make sure that our first week of distance learning focuses on the social and emotional needs of students and also introduces the students to the new tools they will be using in their virtual classrooms. I am confident in the ability of our students to adjust to this new normal quickly, because we have been using the flex learning model for weather closures over the past three years. At the high school level, it is extremely important for students to stay engaged in the work with their teachers, as students need to earn credits to graduate. Teachers will continue to instruct and assign work that students are responsible for completing. The success of our distance learning model is going to need families, students, and teachers working together. See the information below for tasks, resources, and expectations for your student.

• Let's work together to support our students!

- We understand parents didn't sign up for teaching their students at home in a distance learning format. Please reach out to us if you need help.
- Educators didn't sign up for teaching students in a distance learning format.
- Let's support each other as we are all doing something we didn't sign up for!
- Most importantly, let's support our students as we adjust to this new learning model!
- Student Attendance
 - Each day, students must submit the attendance form found on their SNAP teacher's Schoology page or use the email sent out from Mr. Vizenor.
 - If your child is ill or unable to "attend" school for the day, please call 952-492-4488 to report the absence.
- Staff Daily Schedule and Suggested Student Schedule
 - Below you will find a suggested schedule for all high school students.

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- We are using a block schedule for instruction. This will allow students to be more focused on a few subjects each day.
- The schedule is simply a suggestion to help provide structure for students and families; however, we understand that each family situation is unique.
 - JHS Schedule Concept

• Where do I find student work?

- All information and assignments for students will be posted on Schoology.
- Students will access information and assignments as they did on previous flexible learning days.

• Need to Contact a Staff Member?

- Email will be best.
- Staff will respond to email between the hours of 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
- Please use the JHS <u>Staff Directory Link</u> to contact a staff member.
- If you are unable to email staff for whatever reason, you can call the teacher's phone extension <u>(Staff Directory Link)</u>, leave a message, and the staff member will return your call within 24 hours.

• Need Technology Support?

- A phone hotline is enabled for families to leave messages regarding tech issues, and the tech department will follow up. The hotline number is 952-492-4500.
- This <u>Google Form</u> will be sent to families to create a tech support ticket when needing tech support for school devices/software.
- Tech dept will contact families to try to resolve issues remotely before requesting a family comes on site.

• Important Events at JHS

- Prom will not be hosted on April 25th. It will be postponed with a date to be determined after more information comes from the state of Minnesota.
- We are in constant communication with the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) and will make decisions on other big occasions (awards night, concerts, and graduation) when we have more information. We realize that these are huge milestones for our students and will do everything we can to honor our seniors.

I am confident in the ability of our students and staff to take on this unprecedented challenge. Please know that we are all in this together. Feel free to reach out if you have any questions or need assistance with distance learning. I will also be sharing this information with students via email.

Have a great day!

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