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To Novi Community School District Parents and Community Members:

We are on day 10 of the school closure.

Day 10 -

In some ways it has gone by quickly. In other ways, it has gone by very slowly.

What the future holds is unclear.

You may have heard the Governor on WWJ this morning. She indicated that they were still trying to figure out if and when schools might open this school year.

My advice - don't panic and don't try to figure out all the answers right now.

I'm sure you have questions. We are developing plans for multiple outcomes.

We will find answers to all the questions that we have:

- Graduation
- Celebrating the class of 2020
- Grades
- Grade promotion
- Summer school/learning

If school is delayed past April 14, we are examining how and if we will change what we are doing with our academic learning opportunities. We do not have to have an answer today. We will keep you informed as we move along.

After yesterday's correspondence, some of you asked if we had any indications that people were contagious before March 13.

I have no knowledge that any staff member was contagious before March 13.

We have parents and staff expressing concern about whether staff have contracted the coronavirus. These concerns are legitimate. Some are concerned because they have a child or parent who has a compromised immune system. Others are concerned because they do not want to expose their family to the virus.

The message we are giving our staff is, that if any were exposed since our closure or if any have contracted the virus since our closure, the expectation is they will self-quarantine for a minimum of 14

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days. If that happens to overlap with our return to school, those people would not return until they were past the self-quarantine phase.

We are erring on the side of caution, so that we provide a safe environment for our students and our staff.

For the coming week, things will be the same as they were for this week.

- Monday - Friday: Superintendent Read Aloud at 1:00 PM
 - View on Twitter [@docsmatthews](#) or my [Facebook](#) page
- Tuesday - Food delivery
- Wednesday - New learning opportunities posted

Please take care of yourself during these interesting times.

We will be transparent and keep you informed as we learn things and make decisions about what the future of this school year may be. Keep doing what you are doing and we will work through this together.

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