

March 23, 2020

Dear Saginaw Township Parents/Guardians,

This morning, Governor Whitmer issued the "Stay Home, Stay Safe" Executive Order, mandating a "stay-at-home" directive for all Michigan residents for a three-week period from March 24 – April 13. There are exceptions for "critical infrastructure workers," including school food-service personnel who are serving meals to STCS children. We are blessed to have a small army of cooks who have pledged to continue preparing and serving meals to our families during this statewide shut-down.

Our next drive-thru distribution takes place Wednesday morning from 8:00-11:00 at White Pine MS (front-office circle drive -- enter off Seidel) and Heritage HS (enter north driveway, delivery on rear driveway under press box at football stadium, exit south driveway). You don't need to leave your car; just roll down your window and our volunteers will hand you the right amount of sack lunches and breakfasts for your kids. Distributions will continue every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday through April 10, provided we have enough workers and volunteers to sustain the program.

We have been asked to continue to operate under rules for social distancing and continue to do what we are able to support students and their families during this time.

Obviously, a three-week "stay-at-home" directive now means that our first reasonable attempt to return to school will be Tuesday, April 14. This is obviously subject to change (and probably will) as the COVID-19 virus continues to spread.

We know <u>many</u> questions still exist. Our state educational organizations are working with lawmakers, the Michigan Department of Education, and Governor Whitmer's team to try and answer any and all questions as they arise. Please know, as soon as they have information to share, they will share it. And, we will share it with you.

Again, thank you for all of your patience, understanding, and support of STCS. In times of crisis, the true character of a community shines through. I'm proud to be a member of this amazing STCS family!

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Sincerely.

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