

Parents/Guardians of MMS:

First, I want to thank you for your patience during this time. This is truly a time in our country that we will never forget and a time that we have to come together to help one another. By now, I am sure that you have heard that schools are closed for at least three weeks due to the Coronavirus. During this time, we are working to provide your child with their education, but it will of course look differently than what it is used to.

We will be communicating in many different formats so please use whatever is most comfortable for you and your child. I will be communicating to parents/guardians through emails. We have an email set up that sends out our daily announcements. If you do not receive those emails and would like to, please email me at bschob@mariettacsdo.org with the email that you would like to add and I will get that taken care of.

Also, I will be communicating through social media. Our Facebook page is: Marietta Middle School Marietta Ohio. Please follow this page for updates. Also, you can check our Marietta City School Webpage at: <https://www.mariettacityschools.k12.oh.us/>. On this page, you can click on Marietta Middle School and we will add updates there as well.

Your child's teachers will be communicating with them through email, web pages and Google Classroom. We will be providing online lessons for our students during this time. We are very fortunate to use technology in our everyday learning at MMS, so students should be used to using the different tools that the teachers will be sending them. Teachers will begin communicating with their students between Wednesday, March 18th-Wednesday, March 25th. You should hear something from your teachers during this time about how to begin your work.

I know there is a big question out there about what happens if your child does not have a computer or technology. At this time, we are not delivering or sending out paper copies because of the potential spread to the virus. We encourage everyone to use any device that you have: Playstations, XBOX, IPADS, Amazon Fire Sticks, should be able to access the internet and Google Classroom. This is a new experience for all of us so please do the best that you can during this time!

Most importantly, I hope that your child is doing well. We will miss seeing your child and all of our students. We are privileged to get to spend the day with your child and see what an amazing individual they are. During this time if you need help with anything, please do not hesitate to call or email us. Even though we are not in school physically, we are here to help and can be reached through technology.

As a district we are also offering lunch to students and anyone under the age of 18, Monday through Friday between 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Harmar Elementary and Washington Elementary. Please take advantage of this opportunity!

I have sent a letter to your child about our current situation so please make sure that they take time to read it. If you could do me one favor during this time and remind your student of what we say daily: "As always, remember to be Safe, Respectful and Responsible and Make Wise Choices and Remember what we are here for, we are here to learn!" Again, please do not hesitate to contact us if you need anything!

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