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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Yesterday afternoon the Governor provided additional guidance on school closures for the State of Connecticut. At this time, all Connecticut schools will remain closed until **April 20, 2020**. Please know that this date will be re-evaluated as time progresses.

We have spent the last week preparing for remote learning, and our administrators and certified staff have done an outstanding job putting in countless hours to prepare for tomorrow's full re-connection with students. As we have said previously, this will not be perfect at first, but it will evolve into best practices as it pertains to continuing educational opportunities for all.

Our first and foremost priority over the next few days is to ensure all certified staff have the opportunity to connect with every child in their class or on their caseload. That connection is vital to identify any further needs that students and parents might have to engage in remote learning. It will also allow time to establish daily schedules, organize chat sessions, and clarify communication methods.

We will continue to keep you informed regarding any further changes or information that comes forth from the Governor, State Department of Education, or pertaining to remote learning.

As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out to me via email at jeffrey.newton@elpsk12.org or call our Central Office at 860 739-3966.

Sincerely,

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