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Dear Parents,

We wanted to reach out to let you know that we continue to think about each of our students and their families and cannot imagine what you are going through in trying to manage this situation. The most important thing that we want you to know is that you are not alone and that we are here to support you in any way that we can to provide what you need from us. We recognize that each family's needs are as unique as your children are so we want to make sure that we support your individual family needs.

As you know, due to the Governor's directive to close all New Jersey schools, we have implemented a home virtual learning plan which for our students is linked to their IEP. This plan has been sent to the NJ Department of Education, each public school district supervisor and each child's case manager so they are aware of how we are continuing to provide programming. All of our staff is working together on a daily basis to come up with activities/resources to meet the goals and objectives of your child's IEP so that they can continue to work on these during this time period. Each week our staff generates a report of activities/resources provided/ contacts made to families which are sent to the district case managers to document how we are supporting our students/families in this process. The districts are also requesting feedback on parent communication and how students are participating in these activities. In order to better support our families to implement these activities and use suggested resources we are asking our staff to set up more interactive/face to face virtual sessions such as on the ZOOM platform so that we can better understand how to assist each family to support their child in this plan. We have also discussed sharing a basic Life Skill checklist for those families who are working at home and whose children require support in their basic needs. We are focused on supporting what each of you need to best support your child and family at this time!

As a reminder, our spring break is still scheduled starting on April 10 and we will resume our virtual learning program on April 20th.

We care about you and hope that you are safe and well and remember that you are not alone! We are here for you.

> Sincerely, Anne Gunteski, Principal Brian Dorgan, Supervisor Erik Glazner, Supervisor

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