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Dear Solana Beach School Community,

Out of an abundance of caution and to significantly reduce community transmission of the coronavirus (COVID-19), notification of school closure occurred this morning (March 13, 2020). The purpose of this email is to provide all families with details regarding Solana Beach School District's closure beginning Monday, March 16, 2020, as well as next steps for supporting continuity of student learning in the weeks to come.

## Closures

- All school sites
- CDC preschool
- CDC school-age before-/after-school care
- CDC Enrichment classes
- Solana Beach Band Program
- Math League
- District office

## Timeline

At this time, all schools are closed through April 3, 2020. We will observe our regularly scheduled Spring Break from April 6 - 10, 2020. Although school is tentatively scheduled to resume on Monday, April 13, 2020, that timeline may shorten or extend depending on how the pandemic unfolds. As the situation continues to evolve, updates will be provided on a regular basis, including but not limited to, weekly Monday updates.

This unprecedented health crisis has created complex challenges across the globe. One such area is the difficulty of arranging child care for an extended period of time. However, the health and safety of our students, staff, families, and community must remain our top priority. During the weeks of school closure, we are committed to providing your child/children with high-quality resources and guidance for maintaining structure and continued learning.

## **At-Home Learning**

Please be advised, during the first week (March 16-20) students are not required to complete any instructional work or assignments. Beginning Monday, March 23, students will be expected to continue their learning experiences through educational materials and resources. Please look for this information by Monday, March 23.

## Student Mobile Devices (iPads and Chromebooks)

Student mobile devices and power supplies have been sent home with students. Please look for a separate communication from your school site regarding at-home device usage information. Families will be notified of a process for retrieving a district mobile device in the event your child/children was absent when devices were sent home.

The focus of our efforts remains on the health and safety of our students and staff. I encourage all of us to continue our efforts to work together to do all that we can to prevent the spread of COVID-19. School and community closures require a collective commitment to add social distancing measures to further support these efforts. And finally, let us remember, it is times like this that we are better together. More important than ever will be our support, understanding, and empathy for our friends, family and neighbors. Resources to support these endeavors are available on our website: <u>COVID-19</u>.

Sincerely,

Jodee Brentlinger Superintendent