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Re: Extension of school dismissal in response to Coronavirus

Dear Anaheim Elementary School District Families,

This past week we have continued to participate in daily conversations with the Orange County Department of Education and the OC Health Care Agency to receive the latest information available on the response and recommendations to the Coronavirus pandemic. The latest information we have received is that health experts are recommending weeks of social distancing to best reduce the spread of the Coronavirus.

With this in mind, and always with the best interest of the health and safety of all stakeholders, **the Anaheim Elementary School District will now remain closed through Friday, April 17, 2020.** At this time, the anticipated return date is Monday, April 20, 2020.

During the dismissal of schools, the well-being of students will continue to be our priority and we have been actively working on instructional continuity and other student needs through distance and online learning.

The following actions and resources will continue to be available for AESD students during the extended school dismissal:

- Chromebook computers and wifi "hotspots" for internet access at home are still available, and parents may call (714) 517-7500 to arrange a pick-up time.
- Supplemental learning materials will continue to be available for students on the Student Portal which can be accessed at aesd.org
- In partnership with the Anaheim Union High School District, "Grab and go" meals are available for AESD students from 11 a.m. to 12 noon at the following locations:
 - Katella High School
2200 E Wagner Ave., Anaheim, CA 92806
 - Anaheim High School
811 W Lincoln Ave., Anaheim, CA 92805
 - Sycamore Junior High School
1801 E Sycamore St., Anaheim, CA 92805
 - Loara High School
1765 W Cerritos Ave., Anaheim, CA 92804
 - Brookhurst Junior High School
601 N Brookhurst St., Anaheim, CA 92801
 - Ponderosa Elementary School
2135 S Mountain View Ave., Anaheim, CA 92802
 - For information, call AUHSD food services at (714) 999-3560.

1001 S. East Street
Anaheim, CA 92805
Phone 714-517-7500
Fax 714-517-8538
www.aesd.org

- In partnership with the YMCA, daily "Grab and go" meals are also available from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the following locations:
 - Henry Elementary School, 1123 W. Romneya Drive, Anaheim, CA 92801
 - Juarez Elementary School, 841 S. Sunkist St., Anaheim, CA 92806
 - Lincoln Elementary School, 1413 E. Broadway, Anaheim, CA 92805
 - Revere Elementary School, 140 W. Guinida Lane, Anaheim, CA 92806
 - Stoddard Elementary School, 1841 S. Ninth St., Anaheim, CA 92802

This past week, and the weeks to come, may leave students with many questions. Keep in mind that in a short period of time their daily routines have changed and they have become aware that they will be away from their schools and other activities that they are used to doing. We encourage families to share with children that these decisions are being made for the safety of all. It is also important to remember that we must all support each other during this difficult time with kindness and understanding.

We want to express our gratitude to all AESD families and staff for their support and flexibility as the Coronavirus situation continues to develop. We greatly value your trust and hold it central to every decision we make. Please know that we will continue to communicate with you via Parentlink and our aesd.org website during the extended dismissal.

Kind regards,
Dr. Christopher Downing
Superintendent