

March 13, 2020

Dear Japhet Families,

Japhet School National School of Character

Thank you for your support during this challenging time. I want to assure you that our number one priority continues to be the health and safety of our students, faculty, and staff. As shared in my previous communications, I will make every effort to keep you informed of any decisions that affect your children's educational experience.

Governor Whitmer has directed all K-12 schools to close beginning Monday, March 16 and remain closed until April 6. Japhet School will continue to honor our school calendar and return on Tuesday, April 14. Therefore, all school activities and events are cancelled or postponed through Tuesday, April 14.

Today, school will be dismissed at 12 noon as scheduled. Additionally, there will be no latchkey today.

Teachers will be assisting students in bringing home all necessary books, computers, and school work in preparation for distance learning. Distance learning is new to all of us, and we are working to ensure that each student has ample materials and activities to continue their education at home. We ask for your patience and support as we work together to implement these efforts in our community.

The custodial crew will continue to sanitize and clean the building, classrooms, restroom, and common areas. So that the crew may effectively clean the building, students will be bringing home all belongings from their lockers.

Once again, I'm tremendously grateful for your support ~ we will remain calm, alert, and continue to follow procedures that help us to remain healthy and safe. Let's remember that this is temporary and we all look forward to returning to our regular schedules on Tuesday, April 14. Should there be a need to update any information, I will communicate this with you through email and/or text via Remind.

We're in this together and I can assure you that when we return to school, we'll be ready to continue our full schedules together with joy and enthusiasm.

Most sincerely,

Kerri G. Vizena Head of School