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FROM: Superintendent of Schools, Mason City Community School District
DATE: March 23, 2020
RE: Emergency Closure Update – COVID-19

Please continue to contact us with your questions and concerns to:641-450-5001 or email sdeike@masoncityschools.org.

Here are the updates for today, Monday, March 23, 2020:

Emergency Food Program

Beginning Monday, March 30, the Emergency Food Program will move to a twice-weekly schedule of grab and go at Harding and Roosevelt and deliveries.

Monday – Meals for Monday and Tuesday

Wednesday – Meals for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

The program will continue to be from 11 a.m.-1p.m. Deliveries will also be changed to a drop and knock system. Bags will be left at the door. Delivery staff will knock and leave (not waiting for an answer). If delivery is needed, please contact Sarah Mariner, Food Service Supervisor, at 641-421-4501.

Calendar Information and Timelines

Reunification Drill: The reunification drill scheduled for Friday, April 3 is cancelled.

Miscellaneous Other

Family Coping Resource: [The National Child Traumatic Stress Network – Parent/Caregiver Guide to Helping Families Cope With the Coronavirus Disease 2019](#)

Remember, to help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases, the CDC recommends the following actions:

- Frequently wash your hands for 20 seconds or more with soapy water. If unavailable, use hand sanitizer.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.

Important Links for your family:

Talking to Children About COVID-19 (Coronavirus): A Parent Resource

[https://www.nasponline.org/resources-and-publications/resources-and-podcasts/school-climate-safety-and-crisis/health-crisis-resources/talking-to-children-about-covid-19-\(coronavirus\)-a-parent-resource](https://www.nasponline.org/resources-and-publications/resources-and-podcasts/school-climate-safety-and-crisis/health-crisis-resources/talking-to-children-about-covid-19-(coronavirus)-a-parent-resource)

Iowa Department of Public Health

<https://idph.iowa.gov/>

CDC Website

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-in-us.html>

Cerro Gordo Public Health

<https://cghealth.com/>

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