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Dear Parents.

With the closure of all schools in Ohio through April 3, we want to provide you with some educational information. During the week of March 16 - 20, students should complete their three Blizzard Bags. These are available on the buildings' websites. We also want to provide some suggested resources to help you keep the young people in your home active, engaged in learning, and emotionally healthy. Over the next three weeks, you will receive more information via www.loganelm.org, One Call Now, and social media platforms. Information may also be sent directly to student emails. For those families who do not have access to internet resources, please call the buildings.

<u>Digital academic resources</u> - There are many resources students use at school which can be accessed at home. These vary by grade level, so talk with your child. Check back for an update with specific sites and links by Monday afternoon.

<u>Games</u> - Many students love gaming and like educational digital games, but board games, puzzles, and card games are great for social skills, critical thinking, and even foundational reading and math skills.

<u>Physical Education</u> - At this time, physical activity is even more important than usual. You do not need equipment to exercise. For kids, playing hard is the best exercise. Taking walks, going on a scavenger hunt for items like shapes or insects, and playing outdoor games are all great ways to take care of the mind and body.

<u>Reading and Writing</u> - Daily reading is expected in some way throughout the grades. Keeping this up will be beneficial. It doesn't matter what they read at home, as long they are reading. Daily journaling during this time will help students academically and emotionally.

Real-World Problem-Based Learning

We emphasize wanting students to solve real problems and have some choice in what they learn. Creating art and music or building and designing are examples of this. What do your children want to learn more about while they have the time? They could design their own game for the family with items around the house. An older child could teach or read with a younger one. What ideas do they have to share with their teacher or principal that might help others?

Social Emotional Support Resources

- Social media can be addictive and raise anxiety during stressful times. With so much time on hand, setting limits is an option parents may want to consider.
- Crisis Text Line Text HOME to 741741 to communicate with a trained crisis counselor if feeling anxious, depressed, or lonely.
- Local Crisis Hotline 740-477-2579
- https://www.schoolhelpline.com/ 800-418-6423 or textTIPS to 66746

Our emails and phones will continue to be monitored during school hours. If your child needs to talk with someone and it is not an emergency, please reach out to us. We will update the website as we have more information to share.

Sincerely,

Tim Williams
Superintendent