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Dear Troy Jr/Sr High School Students and Parents/Guardians:

We hope that you are all staying safe. We sent you a letter last week detailing what we are doing at the high school to keep students engaged with education. This letter should help to add new information and answer additional questions. The governor has now ordered that all school entities remain closed until the end of the 2019-2020 academic year; we will not be physically returning to school for the remainder of the year. Please understand that the content in this letter represents our best interpretations. Details may change if we receive further guidance from the state or other entities.

For All Students:

- **Teachers will continue to provide enrichment and review to their students.**
- **Quarter three grades will be calculated based on student scores on March 13, 2020.** We understand that several students missed opportunities to make up missed assignments. For this reason, missing assignments from quarter 3 will be excused, and zeros will not be assigned.
- **According to state guidance, no student should be restricted from completing their high school graduation requirements or pursuit of a post-secondary pathway due to the pandemic of 2020.**
- It is our intention to give students credit (but not a grade) for courses that they were not able to but would have completed had COVID-19 not disrupted education.
- Class rank will be based upon student scores at the end of the first semester.
- As outlined below, we are beginning to phase some courses back in and will be offering credit for these courses.

For Students in Advanced Placement and Dual Enrollment Courses:

- **Students currently enrolled in Dual Enrollment courses who are receiving credit from a college and students enrolled in AP classes who are scheduled for an AP exam will resume coursework with their current teachers online starting Monday, April 13, 2020.** They are required to participate. Students in these courses should check their e-mail for correspondence from teachers. According to state guidance, no student should be restricted from completing their high school graduation requirements or pursuit of a post-secondary pathway due to the pandemic of 2020. **This said, if a student is in an AP or Dual Enrollment course as described above, they will be expected to pass the course in order to receive credit, and failure to pass may result in failure to graduate.**
- Students who are enrolled in an AP or Dual Enrollment course but are **not** receiving college credit, or taking an AP exam, will be provided access to the content and their participation is encouraged, but voluntary.
- We are assessing state guidance and best practice regarding how to assign grades for these courses.

For Students in Troy Virtual Academy:

- Students currently enrolled in the Troy Virtual Academy resumed their coursework on Monday, April 6th, 2020. A two-week time extension is provided for these courses. According to state guidance, no student should be restricted from completing their high school graduation requirements or pursuit of a

post-secondary pathway due to the pandemic of 2020. **This said, if a student is in a Troy Virtual Academy course, they will be expected to pass the course in order to receive credit, and failure to pass may result in failure to graduate.**

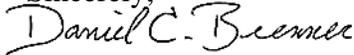
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For Students at NTCC:

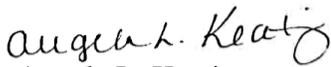
- **Please see the NTCC website for updates for our Troy students enrolled at NTCC. Individual class information is now available by going to <https://www.ntccschool.org>.** Choose “Covid Closure Student Resources” and then choose the individual teacher.

Teachers have been in contact with students via e-mail, Zoom, phone, Canvas, and other platforms. We want to thank the students and families for the value that they are placing on education! Thank you for all your support and for working with us. We know that difficult demands are being placed on families, and we appreciate all you are doing. Please feel free to contact us if necessary. We are in this together! Teachers and administrators are available Monday – Friday via email, from 8:00 – 3:15 for students or guardians who have questions. We know parents, students, and community members have many questions about our current situation. The administration, faculty, and staff of the Troy Area School District will be working diligently to keep our students educationally active during these difficult times. Please encourage your children to stay active with us throughout the duration of the closure. Stay safe and thank you for all you are doing!

Sincerely,



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