## **Hillsboro City School District**

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## DISTRICT EXTENDED SCHOOL CLOSURE PLAN

Dear Parents and Students,

As we prepare for the unknown and what might happen with COVID-19. We have created an extended school closure plan if we happen to shut down for five days or more. Any closure for less than five days will be considered calamity days. Instruction on calamity days will be postponed until we return to school. However, if we are to shut down for more than five days due to a large outbreak or if mandated by the governor, we will use this extended school closure plan.

What we learned from the school closure in the spring of 2020, is that we have many families in many different situations. We have many families that have internet access and can perform through our google classroom and other online platforms. We also have many families that do not have internet access at their homes and can not complete online learning on a daily basis. We have worked hard to prepare materials to be able to educate students in both these scenarios. If a shut down were to occur we will be able to have students checkout chromebooks to take them home with them. So every student will have access to a device. Those that have access to the internet will be able to participate in instruction from the teacher through Google Classroom. Those that do not have internet access, materials will be available to download on the chromebook to complete assignments. We know that one of the biggest challenges our families face is accessing instructional materials while at home.

Each building will provide specific plans on attendance, grades, and how instructional materials will be collected. This plan is to inform and prepare everyone if a shut down were to occur. Unlike the shut down in the spring that took everyone by surprise, students are going to be held accountable for their attendance and work completion. During these unknown times we need you, the parents and students, to communicate with your teachers and building administrators on what your needs or concerns are. We will work to accommodate those needs to the best of our ability. Please look for additional information on our school website under the District Extended School Closure link.

Thank you for your support and cooperation during these challenging times

Sincerely,

Mr. Davis