

Delivering Extraordinary Value to Families

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Edward Wehrer Superintendent

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Dear Steel Valley Community,

On March 23, the Pennsylvania Department of Education announced that schools across Pennsylvania would continue to be closed through at least Monday, April 6, 2020. Thankfully, the announcement does not impact Steel Valley's Grab 'n' Go meal program. School lunches and breakfasts are available for our children Monday through Friday, 10:00 am to noon, at Steel Valley High School and Barrett Elementary School. On Friday, March 27, additional bags of non-perishable food from our partner, the Salvation Army, will be available for the weekend.

Going forward, the District plans to utilize remote learning, and Google Classroom will be our primary online platform. In order to "go virtual," we will distribute classroom iPads to our K – 5 students next week. We will hand out the iPads, along with a charger, ear buds and other materials, by homerooms during scheduled days and timeslots. We will put out the pick-up schedule by the end of this week.

In the meantime, we have compiled a detailed list of Recommended Resources by grade level. Those can be found on our Facebook pages and on our website.

We will utilize FID days #3-5 on Wednesday through Friday (4/1-4/3), and our remote learning will commence on Monday, April 6. Providing instruction via the Internet brings concerns about equity, both in terms of Internet access and individual student learning needs. We will work diligently over the next week to identify and address those concerns with families, and we anticipate that some of our families may be better served with packets of work than with online instruction.

Sincerely,

Edward Wehrer Superintendent

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