## Chesterfield Township School District

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As I mentioned in my letter earlier this morning, guidance on COVID-19 is constantly changing. Today, I participated in a briefing with the Health Department. The Health Department will soon be publishing new guidelines to combat the spread of COVID-19. In the new recommendations, they begin to address public gatherings. Please know, the Health Department publishes documents and provides guidance based on recommendations of the Center for Disease Control (CDC).

Based on the new recommendations, the Chesterfield Township School District will begin to limit exposure from individuals who are not members of our staff or student body. Specifically, we will be canceling and/or postponing events and activities that involve individuals entering our building beyond the main office who are not students or staff members. For example, our Math Parent Night for this evening will be postponed due to the fact that we are bringing in a group of parents. However, we will continue to move forward with programs such as our after-school clubs program, as the individuals involved are our students and staff.

In an effort to keep the line of communication open and parents informed, the district will publish a notification each Friday updating parents on those activities that are scheduled for the following week and indicate those activities/events that have been postponed or canceled. We will also restrict our students and staff from traveling outside of our district. For example, as of today, all field trips will be canceled or rescheduled to later in the school year. As of now, these restrictions will continue through April 30, 2020. After that, we will reevaluate the restrictions and make a decision for May and June.

Again, I want to thank you for your cooperation in this effort to minimize the exposure of our students and staff. Our goal is to remain healthy as a school so the education of our students is not interrupted. Also, these efforts are being coordinated with Northern Burlington Regional and the other school districts in the Northern Burlington region.

For the remainder of this week, the status of each activity is noted below. You will receive another notice tomorrow for the week of March 16<sup>th</sup>.

- Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> Math Parent Night Postponed
  - We plan to reschedule the Math Parent Night for a date after April 30<sup>th</sup>
- Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Black History Month Presentations Modified
  - Each second grade teacher will hold the event, but parents/visitors will not be permitted to attend.
- Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> All Afterschool/Evening Outside Groups Cancelled
- Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> All Outside Groups Cancelled

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Superintendent