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Dear Annawan CUSD #226 Families,

You already know we are in unprecedented times. This update is to provide you (both student and guardian) with a plan to move through this school closure together. Our first and most important goal is to keep our students and staff safe at Annawan CUSD #226. We will continue to make every effort that all students are safe, fed, and engaged in learning during this challenging time.

As you may recall, on March 13th, we sent home a packet to complete if we were to utilize an E-Learning Day. That time has now come. On Wednesday, April 1st we will begin what the state will call Remote Learning Days (previously thought of as E-Learning Days). All students are asked to complete this packet on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. Students will not be required to complete any other official school work this week. Monday is called an Act of God Day and Tuesday/Friday will be Remote Learning Planning Days for staff to develop more Remote lessons.

Next week, beginning Monday, April 6th, teachers will have their own lessons for the classes that they teach. Teachers will be communicating with the student/parent on materials to be learned as we continue this education process together. Lessons will likely utilize technology so if hard copies are needed in your household, please let the teacher know. We will make sure arrangements are made to get your paper copies. We understand that many parents are still working and will take that into consideration as lessons are developed. Also, grading will not negatively impact any child during this closure. By Wednesday April 1<sup>st</sup>, our school website ([www.annawan226.org](http://www.annawan226.org)) will have a Remote Learning page to assist you in finding your child's learning materials for PreK-12 and answer additional questions that you might have.

If you are in need of a sack lunch provided by the school, please contact the unit office at (309) 935-6781 or email [mnordstrom@annawan226.org](mailto:mnordstrom@annawan226.org). We will continue to provide lunches for those in need. Please note that even if we return to school on April 8th, we will still NOT have school on Friday, April 10 and Monday, April 13 due to the holiday weekend.

As you know, the Governor of Illinois has said all schools will not return until at least April 8th. With that being said, I hope that Remote Learning will only last a couple more weeks. But more importantly, it is my sincere hope and prayer that none of you are harmed by the coronavirus. We must continue to work together as we embark on this new journey in Illinois public education called Remote Learning. Our teachers have been working very hard to be prepared and not scared as we get ready for a new way of educating our students.

Helen Keller once said, "Although the world is full of suffering, it is also full of the overcoming of it." We will overcome this virus. Please stay safe and remember we are in this together.

Sincerely,  
Matt Nordstrom