DATE: April 6th, 2020

RE: Continuous Learning Expectations

TO: Students and Families of Morton School District

With the mandated school closure still in effect, all of us with the school district greatly miss seeing our students each and every day and look forward to returning back to normal at some point. During this closure due to COVID-19, we are all doing our part to help slow the spread of this virus. With Governor Inslee’s order to close schools through April 24th, education must continue as we start our 4th quarter of this school year beginning on April 13th.

In order to fulfill the education need for the fourth quarter, we are going to continue to use the formats we have in place. What you can expect to see are two main changes:

1. There will be an increase in the amount of work in order to increase student work time at home.
2. Each week you can expect your teacher(s) to prepare some form of remote measurement of skills.

These two changes together, along with the current YouTube video(s) each week will be used to for students’ continued learning.

We all have an obligation to find ways to connect and engage in continuous learning. Many of us have ways to access the online resources already available via the district website. Also, please use email to keep in contact with the teachers. For those who do not have this access please contact the Elementary School Office between the hours of 8:00 AM and 2:30 PM to order printed materials. These materials will be delivered each Friday by our transportation staff and collected on subsequent Fridays.

Report cards for the 3rd quarter will be mailed home on Wednesday the 15th of April.

We are facing an unprecedented challenge full of uncertainty. We are trying new things to support our community and we are learning from each other. Our system will be modified as needed to meet the specific needs that exist for our kids. All of us are stressed by our current circumstances, but be aware that none of us are in this alone. Please reach out to our staff as needed.