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Eagle Students, Parents & Staff:

As you are more than aware, the past month has been a difficult time for our district, our community, our state, and our country. I also realize that while we stay Healthy at Home, this quarantine, and all the responsibilities it comprises, has put a great burden on our students, parents and staff. Many unprecedented decisions have been made, yet these decisions are in the best interest of our students, staff and community. I am saddened to inform you that Johnson County Schools will remain dismissed and under NTI instruction through the end of the 2019-20 school year. The last day of NTI instruction will be May 7, 2020. A schedule of remaining NTI days are as follows:

April 20-24	NTI Days 27-31
April 27-May 1	NTI Days 32-36
May 4-7	NTI Days 37-40
May 7, 2020	Last day of school for students

I ask for your continued focus on supporting our children in the completion of all work during these remaining NTI Days. The continuation of our students learning and growing is so important for now as well as for the years to come.

We are closely monitoring what this situation means for our Senior students. It seems that at this moment, a traditional graduation ceremony is not going to be possible, even later into the summer. We are now working on an alternate graduation plan and will send out as soon as it is complete. This is not how our Seniors expected to spend their last year of high school, but these students are amazing individuals and have accomplished unprecedented success over the past four years. They deserve and will receive great recognition for their achievements.

District personnel will continue to deliver lunches as before. In addition to bus deliveries, we will continue to provide lunches for pick up at the following school sites from 10:30-11:30 daily:
Central Elementary, Flat Gap Elementary, Porter Elementary, and W.R. Castle Elementary.

I appreciate all the support this school district and community has shown. We must remain strong in our desire to help one another and to think of others first. Please continue to be thoughtful of our most vulnerable individuals and follow the guidance handed down by our Governor and local officials. Johnson County Schools will continue to provide you with district updates as they occur.

As always, if you have any needs or concerns, call your school or the Central Office between 9am and 3pm. Although not open to the public, currently our schools and the Central Office do have minimal staff working on site. Please do all that you can to stay safe and healthy. As I have said before, Johnson County is resilient, and we will all get through this together.

God Bless,

Supt. Thom Cochran