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Greetings Canby Public Schools' Families,

I hope this email finds you and your family safe and healthy. I want to update you on a few important items pertaining to the schedule for the remainder of the school year. Yesterday afternoon, Governor Tim Walz and Commissioner Mary Ricker extended the school closure through the end of the 2020 school year. Because of this extended closure, distance learning will continue at Canby Public Schools until the final day of school on **Friday, May 22**.

Up until yesterday afternoon, we hoped school would return as planned on May 5 but unfortunately, we are not at a point where it is safe to return to a normal schedule. Distance learning will continue, but some changes may be made. Please watch for communication from your child's teachers and school over the next few days for any changes that may be made. They will also be scheduling pick up times for you to pick up your child's personal items that were left at school.

With this closure, the Minnesota Department of Education has set aside two days of professional development for school districts to review and update their distance learning plans. The professional development days will be held statewide on **Friday, May 1 and Monday, May 4**. *There will not be any distance learning, but there will be meal service, on these two days.* School will resume on Tuesday, May 5.

The Minnesota State High School League also announced all spring activities for both athletics and arts are cancelled. Spring activity fees will be returned to each family that submitted their payment. If you have questions regarding this fee please contact the high school office.

I know you were hoping for better news, and I wish I had it for you, but at this time it is important we keep our families and staff safe. Together we will get through this COVID-19! Thank you for everything you are doing to help your child with the distance learning! You have all been great to work with these past few weeks. You have all shown why it is Always a Great Day to Be a Lancer!

Sincerely,

Ryan Nielsen
Superintendent

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