Dear Families,

By now, you may have received information from our Superintendent, Dr. Pattenaude, that Hazelwood will be closed beginning on **Monday**, **March 16**th and will resume on **Monday**, **April 27**th. Our staff has been working hard to prepare materials for you to access during the coming weeks.

Learning During the Closure

The Renton School District is providing resources for *at-home learning*. These activities are intended to support skill maintenance and development. Paper copies of the learning resources will be distributed tomorrow, **Friday**, **March 13**th and posted on the district website. Additional copies will also be available at breakfast and lunch sites.

• **Please note:** The Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) <u>does not recommend school districts shift to remote or online learning</u> during the closure because of the inability to provide equitable instruction for our scholars, particularly those who receive special education supports.

That said, in addition to the above resources, our school *also* has access to a wealth of digital resources including iREADY, Dreambox, Code.org, and much, much more. Log-in information for these resources went home yesterday in red folders. Additionally, our school library, along with the King County Library System, also has a tremendous amount of digital resources (including foreign language learning) that can be accessed from home. Reach out to your scholar's teacher if you have difficulty accessing these tools.

You may also consider the following daily learning activities:

- 1. iREADY paper resources (Printable At Home Activity Packs- see link below)
 - a. i-Ready.com/AtHome
- 2. Independent reading for at least 45 minutes
- 3. Physical exercise (Play 60!)- A great tool is Go Noodle https://family.gonoodle.com/
- 4. Journaling
- 5. Spend time discussing feelings on the mood meter as a family

In addition to the academic resources above, your scholars may enjoy composing and exploring music and learning about instruments and composers using the websites below:

https://www.classicsforkids.com/

https://www.nyphilkids.org/

https://musiclab.chromeexperiments.com/

Please plan to pick up any needed medication tomorrow, March 13thor Monday, March 16th. Information regarding site locations for nutrition services, childcare, and report cards is forthcoming. We also do not yet have any information regarding the last day of school. As soon

as we know the answers to these important questions, we will be sure and send prompt communication.

We recognize that this time of uncertainty may present your familywith very unique challenges. **Please know that our school is here for you!** Please, please don't hesitate to reach out for any needs that you may have over this extended break. We sincerely appreciate the outpouring of love and support and I feel honored to be a member of such a wonderful community that comes together during times of need. Please remember to check-in with each other- send a text message or make a call. During times of difficulty, the spirit of community can inspire strength, endurance, and joy.

Thank you all for your continued love and support. We appreciate you.

Best,

Tracey Tymczyszyn

Principal

Hazelwood Elementary School