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Edgewood ISD Staff and Community,

As the current situation regarding COVID-19 continues to change rapidly, I want to reassure you that EISD continues to work with our local health officials as well as our city and state leaders to ensure the health and well-being of all of our students and staff. The City of San Antonio mayor issued a third public health emergency and prohibited gatherings of 50 or more people. In response to this announcement and to help slow the spread of the virus, Edgewood ISD will keep the district closed until April 3, 2020. We will however continue to offer curbside meals during breakfast from 7:30 am -9:30 am and lunch from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm.

The current health situation we are facing is unprecedented and continues to change by the minute. I ask that you remain patient as EISD commits to making decisions that are in everyone's best interest.

While the district may be closed, there are critical functions, which must continue to operate such as payroll and food service, so we can continue to serve our EISD students, personnel and community. Staff who are contacted by their supervisor need to report to work during this time. I do want to remind employees, that while we may not all be in district, all employees are expected to be on call and available during business hours.

In regard to district business, a regularly scheduled board meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 24, 2020 and at that time, I will request board approval that will allow district employees to receive compensation during the closure.

At the state level, this week, Governor Greg Abbott announced that he has waived the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness, (STAAR). While all schools are closed, the education of our students is a top priority for Edgewood ISD, and we will continue to offer an exceptional learning experience. During this time, we are committed to using innovative and alternative methods to provide continuous academic instruction for our students from Pre-Kindergarten to 12th grade. The scholastic needs of our school children will be adjusted during this very fluid situation. I want you to know, EISD is taking a strategic approach on what distance learning will be like for our students and teachers. To be clear, the school year has not ended. Students are just learning in a different capacity given the current health environment.

Edgewood ISD, all of us are facing uncharted territory and we try to adjust to our current living conditions as best possible. Let us not forget that in trying times, we see the best of humanity. Let us do our best to take care of our loved ones and not forget those that may need additional care. Remember, we are Edgewood Proud!

We will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates via our district website: www.eisd.net and our social platforms.

Thank you for your continued trust and support of the Edgewood Independent School District.

Respectfully,



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