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RE: Weekly Update

Dear Brimley Area Schools Family:

As I write this letter it is one of the warmest days of spring thus far. It is very beautiful outside with blue skies and lots of sunshine. After two days of major rain, to the point of some flooding, we have entered May. I hope the last few days of April showers will truly bring out May flowers. Please make sure to get outside and enjoy what Mother Nature has brought us.

We have just finished our third week of the Continuity of Learning Plan. We know that distance learning has many challenges and understand that there will be times when things just do not go as planned. I am sure this happens almost daily when we are trying to send a Zoom meeting, or any other learning platform and the Internet is too slow or goes out completely. Parents and students are trying to complete work on the same network and the signal is not strong enough to do the job. There are so many more scenarios like this that have been dealt with during our distance learning time and we have learned much. Please continue to be patient with us and we will do the same as we continue to work together for the betterment of our students.

The week of May 4th will bring another delivery of food for those who have signed up. Again, if you would like to sign up for meal delivery, please call the central office and we will get you on the list. We deliver on Monday of each week and will continue to do so until the last day of school, which is June 10th.

With this week's delivery of food there will be another round of middle/high school work packets. Please be sure to read all the information provided within your packets. If you do not receive a packet, please be sure to contact the high school office. We will be sending home packets in the mail for those who are not on the meal delivery list. Please remember to check in with your children to see if they are getting work completed. Remind them to stay in close contact with their teachers as they are there to help. Students, if you have not touched base with your teachers, I challenge you to do so this week

Elementary packets went home last week with the meal delivery or by mail. If you have not received your new packet, please contact your respective teachers.

Grades for middle/high school students are due on Monday, May 4th. The high school office is working to make sure all grades are in Illuminate and report cards will be sent out sometime next week. After final third quarter grades are finished, work will begin to see who has made the honor roll. After this work is complete, plans will begin on how to recognize our honor roll students for the past school year. Please stay tuned for further information in this area.

This week we met with the senior class advisors, senior class officers, and the administration regarding ways to recognize the Class of 2020. Many ideas are in the works with input given from all involved. More to come in this area. We are looking forward to what is in store for our graduating class.

If you have completed school work and are out and about for essential goods and want to drop off your school work, please do so at door #1 (elementary main entrance) and door #11 (high school main entrance) during regular business office hours. Please make sure to have your child put their names on the work and the teacher so it can be delivered correctly.

Once again, Ms. Nicole Cameron and family (Jenna, Jaymie, and Andrew) came to our rescue. We had a need for more masks as they are very hard to come by. Ms. Cameron and family provided the district with another 22 masks that were made over the weekend and delivered on Monday morning. On behalf of the district, I would like to thank you for your kind donation and caring spirits as we continue to press forward during this pandemic.

In closing, please remember to take some time for your family. If frustrations abound during the day, take a break and do something else for a while and then go back to schoolwork. We do not want to add more to your plate during this time but want to be a helper and support as needed. We miss you and your children greatly and cannot wait for the time to come when we can see each other again; albeit from a distance.

If I can be of any further assistance or you have ideas to make things better, please do not hesitate to give me a call at the office.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Reattoir". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "B" and "R".

Brian Reattoir, Ed.S.
Superintendent of Schools