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**Detroit Public Schools Community District Rolls Out Action Plan to Families
During COVID-19 Three-Week Closure**

District Commits to Providing Academic Resources and Food Service

DETROIT – March 13, 2020 – Detroit Public Schools Community District (DPSCD) announced today its action plan to provide students and families with resources during the closing of schools due to COVID-19 containment based on Gov. Gretchen Whitmer’s executive order. During the three-week school closure, all central office staff, principals, assistant principals, cafeteria workers, police and security will report to work. The District will close all school buildings for 72 hours for deep cleaning and will provide regular updates to families.

“The ‘CD’ in DPSCD are more than letters in an acronym. They stand for ‘Community District’ and we are the city’s and people’s real school and community district. This means we advocate and care for our students and families beyond the classroom, especially in times of crisis. This is the moment to show that our work goes beyond rhetoric,” said Nikolai Vitti, Superintendent, DPSCD.

Breakfast and lunch will be served starting Wednesday, March 18 at 58 DPSCD buildings (See below for a list of schools). A “grab-and-go” breakfast will be served, Monday – Friday, from 8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., and a “grab-and-go” lunch will be served from 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Students will not be allowed to enter the building.

District staff has developed K-8 learning packets with a focus on Mathematics, English Language Arts, Science and Social Studies for students for pickup at the same select school buildings starting Wednesday, March 18. In addition, the lessons will be available through Clever, a mobile application. Students in grades 8-12 will have access to Khan Academy to complete lessons in preparation for PSAT/SAT and PSAT/SAT workbooks will also be available at the 58 sites. In addition, K-8 students will have access to reading materials through myON. iReady will be available for grades K-8 reading and math lessons.

The Homework Hotline is available to families and students, Monday – Friday between 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. and from 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. for academic support, please call 1-833-466-3978. Students and parents can find additional academic resources at www.detroitk12.org/covid19.

“We are working diligently to ensure the safety of our employees, students and families while taking in consideration their need for food and educational resources during this closure,” said Iris Taylor, Board President, DPSCD.

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The District has provided a centralized website that includes all online academic materials and information from the CDC and local health officials to keep families informed on COVID-19 related information. Please visit, www.detroitk12.org/covid19.

About Detroit Public Schools Community District

Detroit Public Schools Community District (DPSCD) is Michigan's largest public education system. It is governed by a locally elected, seven-member board with Dr. Nikolai Vitti serving as superintendent. The District's mission is to provide every student with a beneficial and rightful educational experience, preparing students to be career and college ready, and qualified to compete in the global market. The District has more than 100 schools and educates 51,000 children. For more information, visit detroitk12.org.

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Breakfast/Lunch and Academic Pick Up Locations
During Statewide School Closure to Begin Wednesday, March 18, 2020

1. ACADEMY of AMERICAS @ LOGAN (K-3)
2. ANN ARBOR TRAIL
3. BATES ACADEMY
4. BENNETT
5. BETHUNE
6. BLACKWELL
7. BOW
8. BROWN, RONALD
9. BURTON INTERNATIONAL
10. CARLETON
11. CARSTENS
12. CARVER
13. CENTRAL/DURFEE
14. CLARK
15. CLEMENTE
16. CLIPPERT
17. CODY HS
18. COMMUNICATIONS & MEDIA ARTS
19. COOKE
20. DAVISON
21. DENBY
22. DETROIT COLLEGIATE PREP HS
23. DETROIT INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY
24. DIXON
25. DOSSIN
26. DOUGLASS ACADEMY
27. EAST ENGLISH VILLAGE PREP HS
28. ELLINGTON @ BECKHAM
29. EMERSON
30. FISHER UPPER
31. GARDNER
32. GARVEY
33. GOLIGHTLY ED. CENTER
34. GOMPERS
35. GREENFIELD UNION
36. HAMILTON
37. HENDERSON
38. HENRY FORD
39. HOLMES AL
40. KING HIGH SCHOOL
41. KING, J.R.
42. LAW
43. MACKENZIE
44. MANN
45. MARK TWAIN
46. MUMFORD
47. NOBLE
48. NOLAN
49. OSBORN
50. PALMER PARK ACADEMY
51. PERSHING
52. PRIEST
53. RENNAISSANCE
54. SAMPSON
55. SOUTHEASTERN
56. WAYNE
57. WESTERN
58. WRIGHT, CHARLES

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