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.
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. DAVIDSON  
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

Students Rise. We all Rise

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