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Dear Parents and Guardians:

We want to thank you for your patience and support as we continue to work through this very fluid situation regarding the coronavirus (COVID-19). We are continuing to work with the CDC, Governor's Office and the Kent County Health Department to ensure the safety of our students, staff and community. As stated in our previous letters, our goal is to share important information without creating more stress for you and your families. We ask that you remain patient and calm because many of these topics will change daily as we receive further direction from the Governor's Office.

Because this situation keeps changing so quickly, we will be communicating with you in smaller, more frequent emails with any information that is known. Our communications will be broken down by topic so we do not flood you with too much information at one time and create even more stress. We ask that you remain patient and calm because many of these topics will change daily as we receive further direction from the Governor's Office.

This communication addresses how parents and students can access food during this time of school closure. All schools deal with strict guidelines on what food can be provided and how we can distribute those meals. We are so thankful to all those who have volunteered to help, but we are also under guidelines about who can help distribute the food. If you are wanting to volunteer, we suggest reaching out to one of the non-profit organizations around Kent County that are also assisting families with food and other resources during this situation.

**Below is our plan to assist our students/families with meals during the school closure.**

Our KPS Child Nutrition Services Department will provide meals to students as follows:

There will be two pick up days each week for our students and families. Breakfast and lunch will be provided in bulk to cover multiple days.

- Tuesdays: 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. (Pick up meals for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday)
- Fridays: 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. (Pick up meals for Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday)



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### **Meal sites where meals are available for pick up:**

- Glenwood Elementary School Cafeteria  
[912 Silverleaf St SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49508](#)
- Crestwood Middle School Cafeteria  
[2674 44th St SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49512](#)
- Valleywood Middle School Cafeteria  
[1110 50th St SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49508](#)
- East Kentwood Freshman Campus Cafeteria  
[6170 Valley Lane Dr SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49508](#)

With the most updated information we have at this time, the breakfast and lunch pickup program will be available starting Tuesday, March 17 and ending Tuesday, March 31. We will update you as soon as possible if anything changes. After the completion of each pick up, the location will be thoroughly cleaned by the Facilities and Operations staff.

### **Future communications will cover:**

- An educational link/portal we are developing so students and parents can access voluntary educational opportunities.
- A trauma and best practice link/portal for our families, students and staff to access when discussing the coronavirus.
- School opening and closing information.
- We are currently developing a link on our website, [kentwoodps.org](http://kentwoodps.org), that will include frequently asked questions (FAQ's) you may have. If you have additional questions, please email us at [KPSFAQ@kentwoodps.org](mailto:KPSFAQ@kentwoodps.org) and we will get you an answer if it is available.

We will also be sending out information to our families next week concerning the location of various non-profit organizations where they can receive additional assistance.

Thank you and please let us know if you have any questions.

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