March 27, 2020

Monroe Parents:

We realize everyone is trying to make the most of a very difficult situation. Some of the information we receive continues to change while other information is still forthcoming. We anticipate schools will receive guidance from the Illinois State Board of Education within a couple of days. It is hard to tell when or if we will be back in session this school year. We also have several questions that are yet to be answered from ISBE. As the cases of COVID-19 continue to rise across Illinois and across our nation, please do your best to stay safe and also do your part helping others to stay safe.

Monroe will utilize the following schedule over the next couple of weeks (the schedule is making the assumption we will not be back in session before Easter):

Monday, March 30 – E-learning Day
Tuesday, March 31 – E-learning Day
Wednesday, April 1 – E-learning Day
Thursday, April 2 – E-learning Day
Friday, April 3 – E-learning Day – Teacher Prep – Staff Communication
Monday, April 6 – Thursday, April 9 – E-learning Day
Friday, April 10 – Good Friday – No activities

Please note that on Friday, April 3rd students may have some lessons to complete from the previous four days, an extension day for deadlines, re-dos, or group projects to organize. This day is also designated as prep time for staff and some professional learning where teachers will not be available to students.

Packets for grades K-1 were either mailed home or delivered directly to mailboxes. Those teachers will communicate with families about options to help verify and monitor lesson completion. We will designate Friday, April 3rd as lesson drop off to Monroe between 8:00-11:00 A.M. in the vestibule. If lesson completion is not able to be submitted to teachers electronically during the week, the completed lessons can be dropped off.

Monroe will also continue to have lunch available for families who qualify for free and reduced lunches. This will be a pick up only option. If you are interested in receiving a lunch, please email Ms. Marcella at mkolowski@monroe70.org. Lunches will be prepped Monday morning and available for pick up from 10:30 AM – 12:00 P.M. in the vestibule. Lunches prepped on Monday will be for two days (Monday and Tuesday). Lunches prepped on Wednesday will be for three days (Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday). Please remember to send your email for lunch count before 10:00 on Monday and Wednesday mornings.

Thank you for your continued support of Monroe School.

Sincerely,

Dr. Darrick Reiley
Superintendent