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Parents,

We appreciate your patience as we all work through unprecedented and rapidly changing events of the past week. We do not have answers yet to all the questions being asked, but we want to assure you that we are working with the West Perry School Board on plans to address many of the concerns we are hearing. We promise to communicate as frequently as necessary to inform you of any decisions that will affect West Perry families. Here is what we can share with you at this point:

- Teachers will be posting activities on teacher pages on the West Perry School District website. Parents and students can access these activities by visiting the school's website (select a school menu at the top left of the district page). Once on a school's site, there is a link to the Staff Directory on the top ribbon. Each teacher's site can be accessed by clicking on the globe icon Teachers will post activities on Wednesday and Thursday of this week, and each day next week. These are not assignments, and will not be graded, but are offered as a way to keep students engaged in learning during the time school is closed.
- 2. Middle School and High School teachers will communicate with students and their parents about which work that was assigned prior to Friday's closing will be counted toward their grade.
- 3. We are offering bagged lunches to students starting on Monday, March 23, 2020. We will operate pick up locations at each of the elementary schools and the secondary campus. Parents can complete the <u>West Perry</u> <u>Schools Lunch Distribution Survey</u> to enroll in the bag lunch program.
 - a. Lunches will be distributed on Monday (two lunches) and Wednesday (three lunches) between 11 AM and 1 PM.
 - b. Parents can choose the pick up location that is most convenient. Delivery will be arranged for parents who are unable to pick up lunches.
 - c. Any current West Perry student can be enrolled
 - d. **Students must be present during pick up or delivery.** If students are not present, lunches will not be distributed.
 - e. Students who are currently enrolled in the Backpack Program will be able to pick up backpacks at their home school location only.
- 4. Tomorrow, Wednesday, March 18, 2020, the high school will be open from 9 AM until noon only to allow students to pick up Chromebooks from their lockers. The number of students who will be allowed in the building at any one time may be limited.
- 5. We will continue to use School Messenger and social media to communicate with our stakeholders. Teachers have been directed to respond to emails within 24 hours. Principals and other essential staff are working either at the District Office, or remotely. You can continue to send messages to any staff using their district email address, but if you do not get a response, or if you are not sure who to contact for help, please use this address. <u>emergencysupport@westperry.org</u>

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