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Dear MUSD Parents/Guardians,

During this time of uncertainty, we appreciate your ongoing support, trust, and patience as we continue to monitor and adapt to the circumstances surrounding the coronavirus. Our thoughts are with you and our students as this unprecedented health crisis affects all of our lives, families, and communities.

Below please find a variety of important updates. Please also know that we will continue to share information in the upcoming days and weeks as more guidance is provided from the State and additional details are determined.

### Online Learning Resources

While there is no direct instruction by Marana educators this school week, families can engage students in a variety of supplementary educational online resources/activities to support student at-home learning.

[As promised, please click here for educational online resources/activities and contact information regarding technical and parent support.](#)

This is not a comprehensive list, but rather a starting place for students to engage in some educational experiences. Some of these sites will be familiar to students as they are currently using them in their classrooms.

We have also included some additional links that will take students on a virtual tour of museums, National Parks, and other fun educational interactive sites.

It is not necessary to have students complete everything on this list, but rather a way to experience some learning and exploration online throughout their day. Remember that there should be a healthy balance between online and offline learning, reading books, physical activities, creative time, downtime, etc. What is most important during this time is for our students to feel comforted and loved.

Please know that we are continuing our planning efforts related to the general educational opportunities students will have next week.

### **EXPANDING! FREE Grab & Go Meals & Marana Cares Mobile: More Locations, New Time, New Service begins Wednesday March 25**

Beginning Wednesday March 25 through school closure, children may stop by one of twelve MUSD schools or our Marana Cares Mobile for a FREE Grab & Go hot lunch *and* receive a breakfast meal for the following morning!

No need to park your car! Families can drive up to the front of school and a food service employee will provide meals for each child in the car OR stop by Marana Cares Mobile for FREE Grab & Go breakfast/lunch meals!

For CURRENT and NEW locations, times, and details, visit our [Grab & Go Meal webpage](#).

### **Grab & Go Chromebook Distribution – Wednesday, March 25**

If you completed the Chromebook Form requesting a Chromebook for your elementary, K-8, PAL, or MCAT student, stop by your student's school on Wednesday, March 25 from 7:00am – 2:00pm.

No need to park! Pull up to the front of the school and an employee will hand you a student Chromebook and a list of resources related to Wi-Fi access. Your student does not need to be present.

Please remember our new Grab & Go meal time begins on Wednesday between 10:30am - 12:30pm. If you are not stopping by to grab a meal, you may want to avoid this busy meal time so as to not have a longer wait time. If you are unable to arrive during this time, please call your student's school office to make individual Chromebook grab & go arrangements.

If you have not yet completed the form and are in need of a Chromebook, please complete the [Chromebook Form](#) as soon as possible so that we can ensure enough Chromebooks are available for distribution.

For questions related to your student's Chromebook or this form, please email [parents@maranausd.org](mailto:parents@maranausd.org).

### **MUSD Questionnaire - Childcare for Essential Workers**

Our District is in the planning stages regarding the provision of child care for Essential Workers (first responders, essential healthcare workers, and military personnel), as aligned with the Governor's request. If you fit within the essential worker category and are in need of childcare during school closure, please take a minute to complete this [Childcare Questionnaire Form](#) by noon on Wednesday, March 25. This information will help the Marana district determine the feasibility of opening and providing Learning, Enrichment and Play (LEAP) services on a limited basis. The District will continue to share more information regarding this in the near future.

I encourage you to continue to visit the District Website coronavirus webpage at [www.maranausd.org/coronavirus](http://www.maranausd.org/coronavirus), #maranaschools [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), and download our [Mobile App](#) to stay current on all school closure information, Grab & Go Meals, resources, and updates.

We are confident that we will get through this together. Please continue to take care of your student, your family, and yourself.

Warm Regards,



Doug Wilson, Ed.D.  
Superintendent