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Dear Jasper R-V Family:

Developments regarding the Covid-19 outbreak continue to happen very quickly.

DESE has provided the following link that allows everyone access to the most up to date information from the MO Department of Health and Senior Services: [COVID-19 webpage](https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus/) Website is: <https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus/> This contains any and all COVID-19-related information for Missourians, and is updated frequently.

We are monitoring this site closely as well as maintaining real time contact with DESE, DHSS and neighboring school districts. Right now the earliest we could possibly return to school is April 6. We expect to have better guidance next week, either from DESE or the Health Department. Our local admin team is meeting on Thursday, April 2 to address our local situation and any updated information we have received. Future decisions will be made at that time.

We appreciate the efforts you are all taking to help your children stay engaged in learning during this Wellness Break from school; when we do return, those activities you have provided for your children will help transition them back to a school routine. Also remember that children do best with a schedule so it's helpful to have one for them while they are home.

We will continue to provide Grab and Go Meals Tuesday through Friday at the TWO local pick up locations: the Methodist Church and the Police Station. Bus drivers will still be delivering meals. Hours will be 10 am to noon. The sacks include both breakfast and lunch and are free to anyone in the district who is 18 or younger. Recipients do not have to attend school so preschool children would qualify. If you haven't been receiving meals and would like to be added to the list, call 417-394-2511. Please give us 24 hour notice to get you added to our list.

Again, please let us know if your family has a need that is not being addressed and we will try to put you in contact with area and community resources.

Stay safe and help us maintain social distancing so that we can more quickly return to a more normal way of life that includes school!

Sincerely,

Christina Hess, Superintendent