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Dr. Di Lullo

Good Afternoon Johnston middle school and high school families, This is Dr. Di Lullo the Superintendent of Schools with important information on the plan for distant learning over the next two weeks. As you know, Governor Raimondo has closed all public schools for at least the next two weeks. As I stated in previous messages to you, the district has formulated a distant learning plan to ensure that students continue learning over the next two weeks. Our teachers and staff have been working hard to get ready for this method of instruction. We are awaiting final approval of that plan. Monday March 23rd will be a training day for our teachers with Tuesday being the first day students will begin their instructional days. The instructional day for all our students will be 10 AM to 2 PM each weekday. Please notify the school if your child does not have access to a computer or the internet. The Governor stated, it is very important for students to participate and engage in the daily learning for this method to be effective and for parents to monitor their child's participation on a daily basis. These two weeks are not a continuation of the vacation week but rather school weeks. Thank you for your cooperation. I know this is a difficult time for you and your family and you are being asked to assist in your child's education in a different way. Please know this is much appreciated and with everyone pitching in, we can get through this difficult period successfully. I also want to let you know that beginning tomorrow, grab and go lunches will be available from 12 PM to 1:00 PM at the Thornton Elementary School and Johnston High School. Children 18 and younger are eligible and must accompany a parent or guardian to receive a lunch at the pick up sites. Lunches will not be given out if the child is not with the parent. Thank you for your attention with all of this information. I will continue to update you on any new developments.