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Dear Parents,

I hope this update finds you and your family doing well. We are entering our third week of online learning and I want to thank our students and staff for all of their efforts thus far. Our goal during this online learning period was to continue instruction and learning all while focusing on the health and safety of our students and their families. We have made some adjustments to our instruction along the way and have set some guidelines with the hope to minimize confusion and concerns. All of these adjustments have been communicated in my updates which I have also posted on the high school website.

Over the last few days, we have been informed that school will remain closed until at least April 17th and possibly through the end of April at minimum. Regardless of how long we are engaging in online learning, the guidelines that we have put in place will assist our students in keeping active and completing their assigned schoolwork

I am sharing reminders below so that students and parents are kept informed.

- All online grading is being posted in the Schoology Gradebook. The Genesis gradebook has been "frozen" since March 13th.
- You can access the Schoology Gradebook through your child's account.
- Please have your child utilize their teachers' office hours if they have any questions regarding their assignments.
- A weekly agenda should be posted in each Schoology course to assist students with organizing their work each day of the week.
- If a student is not signing into Schoology, not completing assignments, and not responding to their teacher's communication, their final grade in that course will be negatively impacted.
- Please reach out to your child's counselor for support, if needed.

This online experience cannot possibly mirror the experience that your child has when actively engaged in a classroom setting within our building. However, the efforts put forth by our staff in creating the best possible

experience for our students has been exemplary. We hope that all students engage fully in this experience and reap the benefits of their teacher's instruction.

Be well.

Darren Groh