## Pinal County Schools Mary C. O'Brien Elementary

Jill Broussard
County School Superintendent

Martin Bassett Superintendent Lisa Raymond Principal

March 20, 2020

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Mary C. O'Brien Elementary School is closed through Friday, March 27 per direction from Governor Ducey and Arizona School Superintendent Hoffman. MCOB wants to support students and parents during their time at home. Optional academic enrichment activities will be posted on new Teacher Webpages available on the MCOB Student News Website, <a href="https://www.mcobstudentnews.com">www.mcobstudentnews.com</a>, beginning Tuesday, March 24.

The purpose of the optional academic enrichment activities is to reinforce lessons previously taught to students while school was in session. Parents need not navigate the wide supply of resources on the web. Instead, MCOB teachers will select and post grade level appropriate enrichment activities on the Teacher Webpages. The Teacher Webpages will maintain lines of school and home communication during the closure.

The Teacher Webpages will be on the MCOB Student News website, <a href="www.mcobstudentnews.com">www.mcobstudentnews.com</a>. If a student needs a device to access the webpages, please contact the front office at 520-450-4400. Parents must sign a contract to obtain a device. The student's username and password will be provided to the parent at time of device checkout. Devices may be picked up from the front office starting Tuesday, March 24.

Hard copy packets will be available to students who do not have access to the internet or have limited printing ability. If a student needs a hard copy packet, please contact the front office at 520-450-4400. A packet will then be created for the student for pick up in the front office.

Breakfast and lunch will be available for children 18 and younger. The meals will be distributed at the park in Pinal County Housing at Eleven Mile Corner. Several other districts are offering breakfast and lunches to children 18 and under in Casa Grande, Eloy, Coolidge, and Arizona Clty.

We continue to monitor the situation very closely and are in regular communication with Pinal County Public Health Department, Arizona Department of Health Services, and Arizona Department of Education.

To keep our community informed we have posted this letter with important links, FAQs and other resources regarding Coronavirus COVID-19. This can be accessed from the District homepage <a href="https://www.pinalk12.org">www.pinalk12.org</a>

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Additionally, we would like to share with you some guidelines that have been provided by Public Health:

- Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds- if soap and water are not available please use alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, mouth with unwashedhands
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Stay home when you are sick
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue
- Clean, and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces

We understand that this is a unique time for our families, students and staff and we appreciate the support of our community as we continue to communicate information and updates as they become available.

Sincerely,

Lisa Raymond, Principal

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