Eben M. Bullock, Superintendent of Schools

March 16, 2020

Dear Sidney Central School District Community,

Thank you for your continued support, patience and understanding as we work through an unprecedented and developing situation. Please know that the following information is written with the most recent details we have been provided. We will continue to follow the guidance of the federal, state and local officials. We will be communicating more information as it becomes available.

As of Monday, March 16, 2020 the district has not been notified of any confirmed cases of the COVID-19 virus in the Sidney Central School Community. However, according to the Delaware County Public Health Service, there is one confirmed case in Delaware County. As shared on Saturday, March 14th, under the guidance of Tina Mole, the Chairman of the Board of Delaware County, the county issued a State of Emergency declaration for all Delaware County schools (including Sidney Central School District). All schools in Delaware County will close on Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 12:00am and will remain closed until 12:00am on April 14, 2020. At this time, the buildings will be open for staff and district business only. The Sidney Central School District will be closed to students starting Tuesday, March 17th through Monday, April 13th as a result of the Delaware County State of Emergency. All extra-curricular activities for students are also cancelled during this time.

Food Resources for Families

We will be providing breakfast and lunch beginning Tuesday, March 17th through Monday, April 13th. Meals will be available Monday - Friday. Families will be able to get "grab-and-go" as a drive-up service.

- Location: 95 West Main Street in the horseshoe parking lot
- Times: 9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.

The Sidney Central School District will also be setting up **mobile** "**grab-and-go**" **feeding locations** with breakfast and lunch at the following locations:

- Dates for Week 1: Tuesday, March 17th Friday, March 20th
- Locations and Times:
 - o Masonville Library 15565 NY 8, Masonville, NY 13804 (9am-10am)
 - Sidney Center Fire House 10433 County Hwy. 23, Sidney Center, NY 13839 (10:15am-11am)
 - Meadow Valley/Crest and Sidney-Unadilla Park- 675, 696 and 754 State
 Rt. 7, Unadilla, NY 13849 (11:15-12pm)
 - o Keith Clark Park 70 River St., Sidney, NY 13838 (12:15-1pm)

How will students receive education?

In regards to instruction, students will be hearing from their teacher(s) in the near future. Depending on the grade level of the student, they may receive packets of supplementary work and/or online resources. This work is intended to reinforce skills and knowledge that students have already learned. It is not intended to teach new content and students will not receive a grade. The intent is to keep students active in their learning and reduce educational regression that can potentially occur over long breaks.

Bassett School Based Health Center (SBHC)

The SBHC will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8am-4pm by appointment only. Please call 1-844-255-7242 for an appointment.

How can I help?

We have had numerous community members reach out about volunteering to help out during this time. We truly appreciate the support of our Sidney Central School District Community. At this time, we do not have any volunteer needs, but please consider making a contribution to local food pantries.

Communication of Information Regarding Sidney CSD

As a reminder, please use the Sidney Central School District's website, facebook, twitter, school messenger and letters as your source of information for the school district. We understand that our community has many questions and we will do our best to communicate timely and accurate information. We will continue to provide further updates as more information becomes available. Once again, thank you for your continued patience, support and understanding. The safety and health of our students, staff and school community continues to be our top priority.

Singerely,

Ében M. Bullock

Superintendent of Schools