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Dear FSHISD Families:

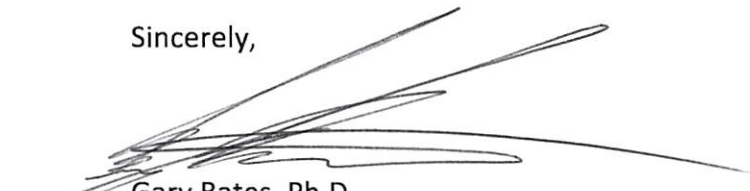
We are in a situation that is first and foremost about the health of our families, our community, our state, our nation and our world. Our current priority is to reduce the spread of COVID-19. This is different thinking for us as a learning organization but we support the collective efforts of our community and appreciate your cooperation as we respond to the latest guidance provided by our health and governmental authorities.

As you know, we had planned to resume classes today. However, when the governor and mayor announced a state of emergency and we were faced with staff and families returning from vacations from high risk areas, we had to make a quick and decisive change in our plans when the consensus of all area superintendents was to close schools for the week of March 16 – 20, 2020.

This week, staff are developing remote learning plans for students in the event that schools will remain closed for an extended time. Campuses will communicate those plans and other information to parents through email this week. While there are many questions yet to be addressed we continue to communicate with state officials on a daily basis. You can count on frequent communication from me and my staff. We will continue to communicate with you on our website, through social media and via phone and email blasts.

Thank you again for your patience and understanding as we navigate through these uncertain times.

Sincerely,



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