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UPDATE FOR SAN AUGUSTINE ISD CLOSURE – 3/19/2020

Today, Governor Abbott issued an Executive Order that all Texas schools close on Friday, March 20 at midnight through Friday, April 3 at midnight. According to the Governor, this does not mean that education stops. We will continue with our online learning as well as additional educational support through April 13. San Augustine ISD will continue operating in the virtual learning environment in an effort to support our nation's need to slow the spread of the novel coronavirus, or COVID-19. When it is determined by healthcare experts that it is safe to return to normal school operations, SAISD will do so. Our health officials report that cases are continuing to spread in the state, and an increase in confirmed cases in our county seems likely. Suspending operations for a time will allow us to determine, in coordination with local health officials, whether the virus is continuing to have community spread or whether it has been contained. We are coordinating with our County officials and Broaddus ISD, and the State will use the week of April 6th to make any decisions on whether to further extend our school closures. Our hope is that we can resume normal operations by Monday, April 13. If there is a need to continue the closures, it would likely be for at least 3 more weeks beyond April 13th. More information will be forthcoming in the days to come.

SAISD will continue to feed our children. "Grab & Go" breakfast and lunch is available at the High School Cafeteria Monday-Friday. Breakfast is available from 8-9 a.m. and lunch from 11-12 (noon). We will begin a "3-days a week" breakfast & lunch "meals on wheels" service beginning Monday, March 23. The locations, dates and times of this service will be posted on our SAISD Facebook page, Twitter account, and SAISD website page www.saisd.us by Friday, March 20 at 5:00pm.

This is a quickly changing situation, and we will continue to monitor information, will assess conditions throughout the week, and will provide the next update by San Augustine ISD via our FB page, website www.saisd.us, email, and other media outlets. Thank you for your support and cooperation as we ensure that all members of this community stay safe and healthy.

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