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Parents/Guardians:

In order to maintain clear communication, I want to update you on any information we receive and what efforts we have in place to date. The administration from all county schools are continually monitoring updates from the state, and are making plans as needed relating to the current pandemic. It is important that we follow all directions from the CDC, the Pennsylvania Department of Health, the Governor and the Pennsylvania Department of Education. The health and safety of our students and community is paramount.

Updates to date:

- On Friday, March 13, 2020, Governor Wolf ordered all Pennsylvania schools to close for two weeks. To this point there is no change to the **Monday, March 30, 2020** return to school for all students.
- At this point, the state is still requiring all schools to administer PSSA and Keystone tests, so they are still sticking to the idea that we will return on March 30.
- Depending on the return date, the district is expected to make its best efforts to complete as many school days as possible. Decisions on possible calendar changes (using snow days, or extending the school year) will be discussed with the MCSD Board and Administration.
- To provide better communication with students, parents and community, we are putting updates on the Monessen SD Facebook page. There will soon be a link to that page on the school website.
- Meals are being provided to all students in one location at the Monessen Elementary Center. This is "Grab-n-Go", so just drive up the bus ramp and the Cafeteria will be waiting to hand you the bag. There is no need to get out of your vehicle. Meals are passed out between 11:00 am – 12:00 pm. Extra meals are provided on Fridays for weekend days.
- While buildings are to remain closed, the building administration and the superintendent are available through email. Please feel free to contact them with questions or concerns.

Things are changing daily, so I am trying to ease your mind with up-to-date information. Please stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Dr. Leanne Spazak
Superintendent