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An Update On the Recent Closure Of North Carolina Public Schools

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Families:

Our team has worked hard throughout the day today in preparation for our remote learning and remote food service programs. I want to share important information with you about both services that I hope you find helpful.

Rutherford County Schools is pleased to provide remote food service through our school nutrition department. **All residents of Rutherford County who are between the ages of zero and eighteen years are eligible to participate, regardless of their school enrollment.** Beginning tomorrow – Tuesday, March 17 – breakfast and lunch servings will be available for pickup between 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM at every Rutherford County Schools campus throughout the county. I encourage you to visit the most convenient Rutherford County Schools campus near you, starting tomorrow, to pick up healthy school meals. We are delighted to provide those school meals at no cost to you.

We will launch our remote learning program for students enrolled in grades PreK-12 on Wednesday, March 18. In preparation for that launch, our school system's website at rcsnc.org now features a new section devoted to our remote learning program. Please visit our website for additional information. In particular, please review the *Remote Learning Continuity Plan* for important details about instructional arrangements for your student during the statewide public school closure.

Remote learning packets for students enrolled in grades K-2, as well as iPad devices for students enrolled in grades 3-5, will be available for pickup at your child's school between 12:00 Noon and 6:00 PM on Wednesday, March 18. Your child's principal will share additional information with you about arrangements specific to your school before Wednesday. Students enrolled in grades 6-12 may download remote learning content via *Canvas*, our learning management system, beginning at 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, March 18. Additionally, we have expanded our school system's WiFi service to support student downloads from our school parking lots throughout the

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county. Please review our *Remote Learning Continuity Plan* for additional information about download locations and other important details.

Thank you, and have a good evening.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Sutton".

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Superintendent