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Dear Families:

I am writing to provide a written update since our last communication. As you are aware, Governor Scott announced on March 26 that students will not be returning to school for in-person instruction for the remainder of the year. This is in response to prevent the continued spread of the highly contagious COVID-19 virus. All students and families have been advised to stay home and practice social distance in order to minimize the possibility of infection.

As a result of Governor Scott's decision for students to engage with remote learning for the remainder of the year, our Continuity of Learning phase (maintenance) will be extended through **April 10**. This means we will continue to offer learning opportunities focused on maintaining current skills and our connections with students. We will continue to use the same format to communicate learning activities that teachers have been sharing with you.

The FWSU administrative team is awaiting updated guidance from the Agency of Education in preparation for our transition from Continuity of Education (maintenance) to Continuity of Learning (new learning) on **April 13**. More info will come as we navigate what this might look like.

Our priority for students is that they continue to maintain their learning and connection to school staff. During the time when students are not at school, teachers and administration will be working and available to (remotely) support students' learning and maintaining connections using the See-Saw learning platform.

Food:

We have recently learned that we are able to provide food for all children ages 18 and under. We have a delivery system in place for a daily breakfast and lunch. If you would like to add your family to our delivery list, please complete [this form](#) (click on this link and complete form). **It is very important for you to resubmit your interest in this program even if you have previously done so. We apologize for the inconvenience but our tracking system needs to be updated with your information.**

We are so appreciative of the positive feedback we are receiving from families. Our staff, along with you, have been tremendous and I want to acknowledge everyone for being flexible and positive during this uncertain time. We will continue to get through this challenging time together. Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions at semery@fwsu.org

Respectfully,

Steve Emery
Elementary School Principal