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### FAQs for MWUSD Parents March 24, 2020

Q: How do I talk to my child about the Coronavirus?

**A**: The following resources could be helpful:

- Coronavirus, a short video from BrainPOP provides information about the coronavirus.
- <u>Talking to Children about Covid 19</u> is a parent resource created by the National Association of School Psychologists.
- <u>Coronavirus Social Story (PDF Version)</u>, a coronavirus social story to help kids understand why schools are closed.

### Q: My child receives a school meal. Where can my child continue to get lunch?

**A:** Santa Rosa City Schools has graciously agreed to include our students in the meal program. Beginning Monday, students eligible for free and reduced priced lunches may get a drive-through/carry out lunch from 11:30-1:00 PM beginning Monday 3/23 from any of the following locations. The students must be present to collect the lunch and have some sort of proof of address, such as a PGE bill.

Lewis Education Center--2230 Lomitas Ave Piner High School--1700 Fulton Rd

#### Q: What if I did not receive my student's work packets?

**A:** There may be several reasons for this. The postal service may be processing some of the packets for delivery. Also, we may not have your current address on our school records. Please contact Alicia Mills at <a href="mailto:amills@mwusd.org">amills@mwusd.org</a> if you have any questions.

Q: What should I do if my child needs help with their packet or an online learning resource?

A: Please email your classroom teacher or site principal.



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## Q: Is there a contact person for Spanish speaking parents or parents that speak another language besides English?

**A:** At this time, we have the following Spanish-speaking resources available:

Mark West Elementary - Kathy Stryker, office manager

Available 7:45am-3:45pm, Monday-Friday

Contact kstryker@mwusd.org

Dan Batt, EL para educator

Available 8:30-3:30, Monday-Friday

Contact dbatt@mwusd.org

Riebli Elementary - Carol Contreras, EL para educator

Available 8:30-11:30am, Monday-Friday

Contact ccontreras@mwusd.org

San Miguel Elementary - Sue Madura, office manager

Available 7:45am-3:45pm, Monday-Friday

Contact <a href="mailto:smadura@mwusd.org">smadura@mwusd.org</a></a><br/>Carmen DeLoza, EL para educator

Available 8:30-11:30, Monday-Friday

Contact <a href="mailto:cdeloza@mwusd.org">cdeloza@mwusd.org</a>

Mark West Charter and District Office

Rachel Valenzuela, Assistant Supt. of Ed. Services Available 8:00-5:00, Monday-Friday Contact <a href="mailto:rvalenzuela@mwusd.org">rvalenzuela@mwusd.org</a>

If you as a parent do not have access to email, please call 524-2970 and leave a message.

# Q: What kinds of resources and support will be available to me, as a parent, to help my child continue learning during the school closure?

**A:** We are currently gathering and creating online resources that your child's teacher will be able to share with you. The District is providing Professional Development for staff to support this shift to providing distance learning opportunities. This will be a process and will evolve with time. We appreciate your patience as we begin this new adventure! Please reach out to your child's teacher with any questions.



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### Q: How can I help my child stay connected with their teacher

**A:** First direct line is through teacher email. If you are unable to contact your teacher through email, please contact your principal:

Patrick Eagle, principal San Miguel Elementary <a href="mailto:peagle@mwusd.org">peagle@mwusd.org</a> Emily Todd, principal Riebli Elementary <a href="mailto:etodd@mwusd.org">etodd@mwusd.org</a>, Tracy Kendall, principal Mark West Elementary<a href="mailto:teodd@mwusd.org">teodd@mwusd.org</a>, Michelle Franci, Principal Mark West Charter School <a href="mailto:mfranci@mwusd.org">mfranci@mwusd.org</a>

Q: Are there expectations for teachers regarding communication response time, accessibility to students for questions?

A: Teachers should be responding to your contact within 24 hours during school hours.

Q: Will special education services continue through distance learning opportunities?

**A:** If you have a child with an IEP, you will be hearing from your child's special education teacher or case manager this week or next to address how your child's IEP learning goals will be addressed.

Q: What if our family needs help with school supplies or access to technology?

**A:** As we move toward distance learning, the school will be confirming the level of technology and school supply needs of families and responding accordingly with support. If you have further questions, please email your principal.

Patrick Eagle, principal San Miguel Elementary <a href="mailto:peagle@mwusd.org">peagle@mwusd.org</a> Emily Todd, principal Riebli Elementary <a href="mailto:etodd@mwusd.org">etodd@mwusd.org</a>,
Tracy Kendall, principal Mark West Elementary<a href="mailto:teod">teodd@mwusd.org</a>,
Michelle Franci, Principal Mark West Charter School <a href="mailto:mfranci@mwusd.org">mfranci@mwusd.org</a>

In addition, please note the following offerings of FREE wifi:

- 1. Comcast/Xfinity has offered free connectivity to low income families with students during school closures. The contact number is 1-800-934-6489
- 2. Sonic: 3 Month Free Internet Access (new customers) or call 1-888-766-4233



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Q: What will be done about missed school days?

**A:** The California Department of Education will provide guidance to the Sonoma County Office of Education and School Districts with respect to the missed days of schools.

Q: Has our "shelter in place" order for Sonoma County extended our suspension of classes through April 7?

**A:** Yes. Also, since the Governor has declared a "shelter in place" for California, there will be more updates coming.

Q: How will classrooms be cleaned?

A: All classrooms will be cleaned in accordance with the Department of Health Standards.

Q: Will there be summer school for Mark West District Students?

**A:** The California Department of Education will provide guidance to the county office of education and school districts with respect to summer school.