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Dear Snohomish School District Families,

The purpose of this letter is to provide clarity around continued teacher communication and connections with students and families at the elementary level as well as regular cycles of daily and weekly instruction starting Monday, April 13. As our situation evolves we will continually assess, reflect, and adjust our practices to best meet the needs of our students, families, and staff.

Communication/Connection:

- Teachers will maintain routine and regular communication with all students. They will reach out to individual students or small groups of students to provide individual support and guidance on their learning.
- Throughout the week, teachers will have scheduled and unscheduled communication with students and families as needed.
- Teachers will set aside time to respond to questions from students/families in the form of email, phone calling, or other platform in a timely manner.

Elementary Instruction:

- Daily instruction, modeling and/or guidance will happen between teachers and students. This may take place in a variety of forms (email with directions, video example, Canvas, etc.)
- Teachers will take into consideration how much students can handle across all the content they will be focusing on.
- With this in mind, teachers will vary from day to day the amount of time spent in core areas (reading, writing, and math) in order to keep instructional focus going while managing workload.
- At this time, teachers are planning for 1-2 hours of student engagement each day. Students may utilize the additional resources on the district website to increase their level of engagement.
- PE, music, and library will offer engagement opportunities for students weekly, and information from the school will come out clarifying how students can access these.

I hope that spring break gives you much needed respite from the stressors of the current health crisis.

Kent Kultgen, Ed.D.
Superintendent

Elementary Daily Schedule

Teacher Daily Schedule	Monday-Friday
Daily communication	Students and parents will have an opportunity to communicate daily with teachers.
Daily instruction	Core Content Instruction *Core content means reading, writing, and/or math. The specific focus, subject, and time will vary day to day based off teacher/student needs. *Students may access P.E., music and library lessons shared via the school's weekly communication.
Daily planning	Teachers will plan for instruction both individually and in teams to align and provide meaningful learning experiences.
Teacher training	Teachers will engage in training around the use of technology, tools, and instructional strategies that support student learning.