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Good afternoon Marlborough Families,

As you know, Marlborough Elementary School will be closed beginning Monday, March 16th. At this point, we are planning to be closed through Friday, March 27th. As we get closer to that date, we will re-evaluate and make a determination on reopening. The decision to close was based on conversations with the Local Health District and area administrators. The decision to close is preventative in nature.

Staff members will be sending home optional supplemental materials for students to work on during the closure. Our website also contains a variety of links that students can access during the closure. Login information for Lexia Reading and the Matic math program is being sent home as well. The days during the closure are not considered distance or e-learning days. As a result, for those students who receive specific programming from any of our specialists, those services are suspended during the break. Days will be made up at the end of the school year – with the possibility that we could be in school until June 30th.

We will make meals available to students during the closure as well. A grab-and-go breakfast and lunch will be available to all MES students beginning on Monday, March 16th between 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon. Pick-up will be located by the Community Room/Cafeteria entrance. Your cost for breakfast and/or lunch would be the same cost as it would during a regular school day. The breakfast and lunch option will be available each Monday through Friday during the closure. There will be a separate pick-up for MES students and for RHAM Middle and High School students, however, both will be at the same location (Community Room / Cafeteria entrance).

The Marlborough Food Bank, located at 3 Wilhenger Drive, Marlborough, CT will be open on Tuesdays during the following times – 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. -5:30 p.m. the Food Bank anticipates that there may be a need for temporary food assistance and will do all they can to help.

We appreciate everyone's understanding during this very challenging time for all of us. Should you need to contact the school during the closure, please feel free to call or email the Main Office during the closure. Teachers and specialists will not be available during the closure.

Reminder, as outlined on the technology form that some families completed, all devices need to be returned to school on the first day we are back. No additional items may be downloaded or installed on the devices. We appreciate everyone taking special care of the technology. The device will connect to your cell phone or home network to provide wi-fi access. Please contact us at school if you need any assistance.

Sincerely,

Dr. David Sklarz
Superintendent

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