

## Message from Thomas W. Giard III, Superintendent of Schools

Dear Parents and Families,

I wanted to take a moment to update families on the latest Executive Order from the Governor that impacts the school closure. Per EO No.7L, all schools in Connecticut will remain closed minimally until May 20, 2020. In Waterford, Distance Learning will resume after the spring recess on April 20<sup>th</sup> and will continue through May 20<sup>th</sup> at this time. We are proud of our students and staff and the way that they have embraced Distance Learning during this time of transition and uncertainty. I would like to remind parents to complete the Distance Learning survey that was sent out on Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. Responses will be anonymous and are asked to be completed by April 20<sup>th</sup>. It is our hope to use this feedback from the survey to better support our teachers and students. The survey can be found at:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfXgTXMy--QTYW-IFfCvz1d9Wu3\\_wjX9y4QxuuGji214ns9g/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfXgTXMy--QTYW-IFfCvz1d9Wu3_wjX9y4QxuuGji214ns9g/viewform)

Please note that WPS will continue to provide meal service during the school closure. The schedule was modified for spring recess with the pickup of 5 meals on April 13<sup>th</sup> only. On April 20<sup>th</sup> the Monday, Wednesday, Friday meal pickup schedule will resume at Clark Lane Middle School from 9 am – 11 am on those days.

It is my hope that everyone is remaining safe and following the guidance and recommendations to remain healthy. It is important that we all heed the advice of the health experts regarding social distancing and other best practices.

Thank you for your patience and your continued support. We will continue to work together and support your children in the best ways we can. Be well.

My best,

Thomas W. Giard III  
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