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Dear AESD Staff,

"People grow through experience if they meet life honestly and courageously. This is how character is built." -Eleanor Roosevelt

As of today, here is the latest information regarding AESD's operation and response:

#### **Continued Support and Resources:**

- There were 5,007 meals served yesterday to Anaheim students.
- Distance learning training has begun for all certificated staff, including Special Ed. It will take place through Friday, March 27 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Questions and concerns regarding the training can be addressed by your site administrators.
- [Linked here are some payroll FAQs and answers.](#)
- [Linked here](#) is this month's Healthy Newsletter

#### **Reporting to Work:**

- Any staff being asked to report to work either in-person or remotely will be contacted directly by their supervisor via email and phone and will continue to follow health officials' social distancing recommendations.

**All other certificated and classified staff are not to report to work until further notice but should continue to check their email daily for updates on work assignments. Long-term substitutes currently in an assignment or scheduled for an upcoming assignment will be contacted by HR and will continue to be compensated during this dismissal period.**

We continue to work with the Associations to identify the essential functions that must remain in place in order to serve our students, families, and staff.

As we communicated on Friday, the school dismissals have now been extended through April 17, 2020, or until further notice; please change your email out-of-office message to reflect this update.

For your reference, these daily staff letters are archived in the staff portal. Please check your email in the morning and in the afternoon to ensure you receive information in a timely fashion.

Two weeks ago not in our wildest imagination could have we foreseen that this is what our world would look like. But here we are, and here is an opportunity to grow even in the most uncertain of times. Grow in our compassion towards one another. Grow in our passion and our purpose. Grow in our courage to step outside of our comfort zone and try new things. Know that we will come out of these uncertain times stronger, wiser, and with deeper character that will help us overcome the obstacles we are facing and rise to heights that perhaps two weeks ago we could not have imagined.

Kind regards,  
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