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Superintendent's Update

Dear staff, students, parents, families, and community,

I would like to thank our amazing and dedicated team of educators and staff who has worked tirelessly these last couple of weeks to maintain a healthy and safe environment for all students, families and employees. The COVID-19 awareness and practice of the health and safety protocol is key to our success in SD52. Our heartfelt thanks to the maintenance and custodians to make our schools as safe place for staff to be.

We are currently working on a plan to provide services to support children of essential service workers with a primary focus on health care providers and first responders. These families will be contacted early next week with further details.

The Learning Services department has worked quickly to respond to the needs of our students and families who normally accessed our breakfast and lunch programs during the school year. These families will be receiving Safeway gift cards toward the purchase of groceries. Our goal is to provide a "Bag of Goodness" to each family in the coming weeks.

A big shout out to our teachers who have connected with their students and families since returning from spring break! And kudos to those who have stretched their technology skills and are adapting diverse ways to deliver learning to their students. Much gratitude to our technology team who has worked diligently to help make this learning possible.

Thanks to our counselors and Aboriginal Education department who are working behind the scenes supporting our students, families, staff, and overall district well-being.

And of course, our office and transportation staff who work behind the scenes, thank-you. Last but not least, our Management team who supports all of the above, I thank you!

Appreciation goes out to all of our students and families because without you, this would not be possible. We thank you!

We are in this together and we've got this! Wishing you a safe and healthy weekend.

Irene LaPierre
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