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## OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Wednesday, March 25, 2020

Dear YCSD Families,

I want to thank you for your patience, understanding and support of the York County School Division during these unprecedented times. I am sure you have been trying to absorb the implications of the Governor's mandate to close schools through the end of the school year, just as I have. I want you to know that my staff and I have been working around the clock to develop additional plans to support students, staff and families over the coming weeks and months.

Our commitment to our community is that we will provide every child the opportunity to be successful. Despite all the challenges we are encountering, our students deserve the right to keep learning. They deserve to experience all that a school year offers, and we will continue to pursue options that give students some sense of normalcy.

Staff are reviewing the questions you have provided through our askYCSD account, such as third quarter grades, student preparedness for next year, collecting student medication and belongings from buildings, and of course graduation. We will have answers to these questions as soon as we are able. We currently expect to provide guidance on opportunities for students to improve existing third quarter grades by the beginning of next week.

Between now and April 10, we will finalize our fourth quarter continuity of learning plans for all grade levels. This is an extensive task so please allow our staff the time to craft a meaningful and equitable path for the remainder of the school year. Our plans will include time for families to rest and recoup over the scheduled spring break.

Thank you again and be sure to take care of yourselves and your families.

Sincerely,

Victor Shandor, Ed.D. Division Superintendent

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