



March 23, 2020

Dear SBCSC Families,

With Governor Holcomb's recent announcement requiring all residents to remain at home, except for essential needs, I want to first ask that everyone please abide by these guidelines. The health and safety of our community depends on our compliance to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

Please be assured that the South Bend Community School Corporation will not only continue the education of all of our students during this time, but also will continue providing free meals at the 12 designated sites around our city. We will continue to distribute meals for the duration of this "shelter-in-place" mandate. Please check our website for locations of meal distribution sites as well as the more than 22 free Wi-Fi hotspots that we are providing.

Also, if any students or parents are having technology issues and need assistance, please call our tech hotline at 574-393-5970 by Friday, March 27. This helpline will be staffed every day this week, but because of the "shelter in place" mandate, the line may not be staffed every day next week.

We recognize that this situation may significantly disrupt people's day-to-day lives, but it is absolutely necessary in order to reduce the spread of the virus and to protect vulnerable populations.

We also know that this situation is temporary, and that we will be able to resume our regular work, school, and social routines as soon as this illness is contained.

Until then, please continue to abide by the statewide mandate to stay home except for essential travel. We will continue to provide up-to-date information on our website and on our social media platforms, so please check those resources for information.

Thank you all for your cooperation and flexibility during this unprecedented time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Todd Cummings".

C. Todd Cummings, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Schools