

GERMANTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

123 Main Street, Germantown, New York 12526-5338

Dear Germantown families,

As your school community, we recognize the impact and hardship the cancellation of classes will present for families. Please know our faculty and staff will work together to best support you and your children during this time and keep you informed of decisions made that will impact everyone. Outlined below is information that applies to our Pre-K to sixth grade students.

Learning: On Monday, our faculty and staff worked together to prepare remote learning materials and supporting school supplies for all students. Although each grade level differs in content, you may expect to find a sample schedule for days home, learning worksheets, educational websites, supportive reading and math resources, as well as activity suggestions for art, music, and physical activity. Additionally, iPads and chargers are being provided for our second through sixth grade students. If your family wishes to decline borrowed use of the iPad, please just let us know.

If your child was unable to attend school Tuesday to bring home the materials, they may be picked up in the elementary office between the hours of 8:00 and 3:00 on Wednesday, March 18th. Please notify us if you are unable to pick up the items on Wednesday so that other arrangements may be made.

Food Distribution: We are currently working on a distribution plan of prepackaged breakfast and lunch items for our families in need. Our Backpack program will continue without disruption as well. Please check our district website for updated information or call our office at 537-6281, x 2301 if you lack internet connectivity.

Support and Communication: Remote learning has the potential to be very isolating for our students. Our faculty and staff will be communicating with your homes to offer support and help in terms of academic, social-emotional and resource needs. Our service providers will be sending home activities to address OT, PT, Speech and Language and Counseling plans. I will continue Tales on Tuesday at 7:00pm each week on Facebook Live, which is then posted on our website and am devising a daily form of check-in with our student body. However, should you have any questions or concerns at any time, please call me directly at 537-6281, x 2305 or email me at bmeagher@germantowncsd.org. We are here to help in whatever capacity you or your child may need.

The generous support and connectivity shown by our local community is overwhelming and reflective of the true spirit of our Germantown Central School District. Please do not hesitate to reach out to any of our school personnel if there is anything you need during this time. We are here to help build an even more resilient community.

Thank you,

Beverly Meagher Elementary Principal