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Good Afternoon DoDEA Southeast District Parents/Guardians,

It's certainly a new day for all of us as we face school closures and social distancing to avoid the spread of COVID-19 in our community. We are committed to keeping you informed with news and updates. All school buildings will remain closed next week. We will provide an update every Friday.

Our school administrators, teachers, faculty and staff have made a commitment to continue to educate and support our military-connected children. They have been working diligently to create engaging and meaningful learning experiences. Thank you parents for recognizing their efforts and sending them messages through the school and DoDEA Southeast District Facebook pages. Please continue to share your inspiring stories with us!

We also want to recognize and thank our parents for assisting us with your child's education. We appreciate your patience and flexibility as we learn and grow together. Our schools are standing by and ready to answer your questions, issue laptops to students who need them and provide student work packets for families who cannot access digital learning for various reasons.

Southeast District News and Updates:

- Beginning Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, we will provide free breakfast and lunch for ALL children, ages 0-18, during the school closure as a Grab-and-Go. Please see your school website for specific details by clicking on **School Meals Program**.
- We are continually working with your local command and health officials to ensure we have facts about the ongoing COVID-19 situation and to collaborate on decisions to support the public during the pandemic.
- The College Board is making adjustments and will allow the option for students to take a 45 minute online Advanced Placement (AP) exam. High schools will provide more details soon.

Please follow your school's website and your school's Facebook page (if applicable) for *official* school communications and information. Timely updates will be provided to parents via our website, Facebook and DoDEA Notification System. Anticipate ongoing district updates Fridays at 5 p.m. It is our commitment to provide support services, social virtual interactions between teachers and students, spirit days, and continuity in education. Thank you for your support!

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