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Good Afternoon, Parents/Guardians,

Since the COVID- 19 national pandemic started, our goal has been to provide weekly updates and information regarding its impact on our schools, staff, students and community. Our primary focus has been the safety of our DoDEA family, along with the continuity of learning through our remote learning model and the distribution of food to students and their families.

Updates:

- All students and staff are expected to continue their respective work through the end of the school year unless otherwise notified by district leadership.
- For the 4th quarter, progress reports will only be issued to those students in danger of failing. Teachers and counselors continuously monitor student progress and are available if parents have particular questions about their student.
- DoDEA will be providing updated guidance on end-of-course grading within the next two weeks.
- In an abundance of caution for health and safety and coordination with command and governors' decrees, we are preparing for virtual graduations for the Class of 2020. Updates on planning progress will be shared with parents of seniors in a separate communication. We will follow CDC guidelines.

We care about the health and safety of our community and will continue to do our part to support efforts to flatten the curve of the COVID-19 pandemic. It is extremely important for our students and families to limit contact with others outside their immediate families during this time. Hence, we join our healthcare colleagues and installation partners in strongly recommending that everyone stay home and avoid close contact with others. Please follow the social distancing orders and recommendations provided by the Center for Disease Control, local and federal officials, and health care experts.

- Department of Defense resources are available for students and military families via Military Kids Connect (<https://health.mil/MKCHome>). Military Kids Connect is an online community for military children ages 6-17, and provides access to age-appropriate resources to support children dealing with the unique psychological challenges of military life. Military Kids Connect is an initiative of the Connected Health branch of the Defense Health Agency (DHA).

- Military OneSource (<https://www.militaryonesource.mil/>) serves our warrior guardians, military families and our entire global military community and offers a wide range of individualized consultations, coaching and counseling for many aspects of military life. Service members, their families, survivors and the entire military community have access to Military OneSource resources anywhere in the world, at no cost. They are ready to assist by phone and online, around the clock. Connect with Military OneSource - 800-342-9647 - 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year, from anywhere in the world.

Our goal remains to provide timely, comprehensive information about the continuity of education in our district. We will continue to share information and updates when warranted. Please continue to check our website for updates: dodea.edu/coronavirus.cfm.

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