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Good Afternoon, DCPS Parents, Guardians, Patrons,

At 2:00 p.m. today, Governor Northam announced that all schools in Virginia will remain closed for the rest of the school year due to COVID-19. This difficult decision was made due to increasing numbers of COVID-19 cases all over the state. We understand that this decision will present challenges for our students and their families, and we remain committed to utilizing the district's resources to support families through this time. We will continue coming together and working together to support each other as one school division, as one family. I want to thank all of our staff who have worked tirelessly so our schools could provide meals to our families in need. More guidance will follow in the coming days in regards to our feeding program.

Within the next 24 hours, the VDOE will issue a SUPT's Memo providing guidance on the following issues:

1. Graduation Requirements for 12th Graders
2. Standard Credits
3. Advanced Credits
4. Changes in the focus in Continuity of Learning
5. Equity in addressing the children with special needs
6. GPA

I strongly urge each of you to follow the CDC recommendations regarding washing your hands, and practicing social distancing.

These are unprecedented times, and there is a Purpose to what is happening although we may not yet understand it. Together, we will work through each of the challenges. We will stay connected with our children and each other, and together we will overcome.

Thank you for continuing to join me in prayer for our children, our families, our community and our nation.

Best,

Haydee L. Robinson, Division Superintendent