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**Dr. Matthew Landahl**  
*Superintendent of Schools*

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Dear Beacon Community:

I wanted to just provide a brief update on where things stand. I want to first just check in with the hope that everyone is doing well during this difficult time.

As we all know, school is officially closed for two weeks. Today, Governor Cuomo announced in a press conference that he is closing all schools down in New York starting on Wednesday for two weeks and he indicated in a follow-up question that the statewide closing could go beyond two weeks. I think it would be best to prepare as a community for an extended closure.

During this time, we will focus on three things as a district. 1) Further developing our continuity of learning plan with our teachers and administrators, 2) make sure we can continue our meal program for children who need it, and 3) continue to have our Board of Education provide governance as we develop our budget for 20-21.

**Announcements**

**Elementary Chromebook Deployment**

On Tuesday, March 17, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. all of our schools will be open for Elementary Parents to pick up Chromebooks for their second through fifth graders as well as learning packets. High School Students and Rombout Middle School students can get items out of their lockers from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. On Wednesday all of our buildings will be closed.

**Meal Program Reminder**

You can pick up a lunch and a breakfast daily at the Beacon High School parking lot from 10:00-10:30 and South Avenue from 10:30-11:00. Our friends from Fareground were at the meal program today with Dinner meals for people who need them. They will be back on Wednesday. Thank you for supporting our families! Special thanks to Karen Pagano and her amazing team for making this meal program happen.

**Communication**

For the near future, the best way to communicate with us is through email. You can email any administrator in the district for help with an issue and you can email me at [landahl.m@beaconk12.org](mailto:landahl.m@beaconk12.org).

We will continue to frequently provide updates to the community through this time.

**Potential Free WiFi:**

Below is information we put together about potential free WiFi

Altice USA:

<https://www.alticeusa.com/news/articles/feature/corporate/altice-usa-brings-free-broadband-k-12-and-college-students-during-coronavirus-pandemic>

Comcast:

<https://corporate.comcast.com/press/releases/internet-essentials-low-income-broadband-coronavirus-pandemic>

Spectrum

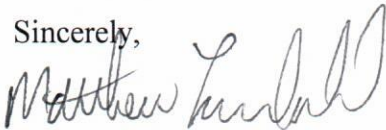
<https://corporate.charter.com/newsroom/charter-to-offer-free-access-to-spectrum-broadband-and-wifi-for-60-days-for-new-K12-and-college-student-households-and-more>

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<https://about.att.com/pages/COVID-19.html>

Hang in there and let us know if you need help with something.

Sincerely,



Matt Landahl