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Dear Uniondale Community and Staff:

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During these challenging and tumultuous times, I hope you and your families are well. As mentioned in our letter on March 27th, Governor Cuomo ordered that all schools in New York State remain closed through April 15th, which falls during the Spring Recess. The Governor's Executive Order states that school districts must "first use any vacation or snow days remaining" which includes the upcoming spring recess period. Further clarification from the NYS School Boards Association confirms that school districts <u>must</u> continue to provide remote instruction even if Spring Recess has been scheduled during this time. Districts and professional organizations across NYS have reached out to the Governor's office to discuss how this impacts the local school districts. I will update the community with any new information if and when it becomes available.

Yesterday, we also received notice from the State that the school budget vote and Board of Education election scheduled for May 19, 2020, will be delayed to a date not earlier than June 1st. We will inform you when a new date has been determined.

Please know that breakfast and lunch meals will continue to be distributed through April 15th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at the entrances of Uniondale High School and Lawrence Road Middle School. The SCOPE Childcare Program at California Avenue School for first responders and medical personnel will also be available through April 15th.

We are living in unique times and we can all do our part to limit the number of COVID-19 cases in our community. So please, adhere to the advice issued by the CDC and the Nassau County Health Department:

- Stay home unless you need to go out for essential reasons
- If you do go out, stay at least six feet from others
- Continue to wash your hands and use hand sanitizer

Thank you for your continued support. I look forward to the day when we can ALL be together again!

Stay safe and be well, Dr. William K. Lloyd Superintendent of Schools

CC: Board of Education Central Administration