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# LETTERS FROM PRINCIPAL DEIGNAN

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Dear DV Community,

Hope everyone is staying safe and healthy! As you know, school closure in Arizona has been extended by our Governor until at least April 10th. We are working early this week to define what student responsibilities will be past the initial closure date of this Friday. A defined Distance Learning Plan for TUHSD will be provided to all school communities this week to clarify how we intend to proceed with online learning while the schools are closed. In the meantime, students should continue to access [Schoology](#). Know that our teachers are actively preparing online lessons for the 4th quarter material past March 27th. Students should plan to log onto Schoology each day for further updates. For additional information about online resources, including internet service, please visit <https://www.tempeunion.org/online-resources>. If anyone has internet or device needs, please email [parentinfo@tempeunion.org](mailto:parentinfo@tempeunion.org) so we can troubleshoot with you.

In a community message from Superintendent Mendivil yesterday, it was reiterated that we are still distributing laptops to students who may need a device to access online learning. There will be another laptop distribution day on Thursday, March 26 from 10 AM to 6 PM at Mountain Pointe High School and McClintock High School. Any TUHSD student with a need can sign-up for either of these distribution locations using the following links:

McClintock: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904084babad28a1f49-tuhsd>

Mountain Pointe: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904084babad28a1f49-tuhsd2>

Also, we realize that many students experience anxiety and emotional discomfort during a time like this. Please see this [message from our counselors](#) to assist any students who might benefit from a connection there. Additionally, our Care 7 Youth Specialist, Rang Ly, is available by [email](#) or phone (480-648-1163) as students may be feeling anxious and worried.

It is important you receive accurate, updated information throughout the closure. Tempe Union has a dedicated website <https://www.tempeunion.org/health-safety> to include the [COVID-19 FAQ sheet](#) that will continue to be updated. The Arizona Department of Education also has a dedicated page to keep schools and families informed which can be found at [Guidance to Schools from ADE](#). While this move away from in-person learning for now has certainly

presented its challenges, we are working hard to bridge the gap between pre-closure education and our inevitable, and welcomed, return to normalcy down the line. Thank you for your patience and partnership as we navigate these challenging times. Enjoy your day!

Mr. D.