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Executive Director

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Dear Macomb Academy students, families and caregivers,

I want to thank you for your support and patience as we continue to respond to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). As you know from my last letter and telephone communications, the Macomb Academy staff and I continue to work on your behalf to gather and provide information that will be useful to you during the Executive Order to close schools through April 3, 2020. New information is received daily, and I will provide updates to you as they are available. Your best source of quick access to information is our Macomb Academy website. However, I will continue to mail information to all students and families and caregivers.

Please see the information below regarding Macomb Academy and our continued support to you during the school closure:

- To help support our students, families and caregivers, Macomb Academy will remain open during the closure. Please call. An alternate contact number is: 586-212-0665. Please know we are here for you to provide support and assistance.
- April Break will continue as scheduled April 6 – 10, 2020, with students returning on Monday, April 13, 2020. Any changes to this return date will be posted on our website, Facebook page, mailed home, and posted on local news channels.
- The end of the 3rd Quarter is Friday, March 27, 2020. Since students have been out of school as of Friday, March 13, 2020, it is anticipated progress reports will be completed upon the return to school.
- IEP meetings will continue throughout the school closure. Your transition provider will contact you regarding the specific details for scheduling your meeting.
- The yearbook is in production. Please see the reverse side of this letter for additional information.
- Two valuable resource lists are included with this letter:
 - One is a listing of the meal programs offered by the local school districts in Macomb County. Although not specifically indicated, students eligible for enrollment at Macomb Academy are eligible to take advantage of any of the programs indicated.
 - The other is a listing of community resources and assistance programs that are available to support you at any time, as well as during the extended closure.
- The amazing and dedicated Macomb Academy staff prepared a calendar of daily activities to engage in at home to keep our students focused and energized in practicing independent living skills and employment preparations.
- Macomb Academy practices disinfecting daily, and prior to the return of our students and staff in full force, deep cleaning and disinfecting will take place.
- Please plan to contact the SMART Bus the week of March 30, 2020 to schedule transportation for the Monday, April 13, 2020 return to school date.

Please look for updates through our website as we implement these plans. These are unprecedented and difficult times, and things are changing rapidly. We will continue to work together while keeping the health and safety of our students, staff, families and caregivers at the forefront of our thinking, planning, and dedicated work at this time.

I speak for the entire Macomb Academy staff when I share that we are committed to our students, families and caregivers, and will do whatever we can to support you in the weeks ahead. I continue to collaborate with my partners to mitigate the spread of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) and ensure the well-being of our entire Macomb Academy Community.

Theodore Roosevelt once said, “Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.” We are in this together and together we will get through it. Please reach out to me. I am here for you. Take good care of yourselves and of each other.

Warm regards,

Anne-Marie Sladewski, Ed.D.

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