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Dear Parent/Guardian,

You are receiving this letter because your son or daughter is a child who receives services under Chapter 14 of the PA Code: Special Education Services and Programs guidelines, and has an Individualized Education Plan (IEP). As we all navigate through the COVID-19 health emergency, we want to ensure that your child's IEP and the services within that plan are upheld to the greatest extent possible in light of current circumstances. The Coudersport Area School District will continue to provide a free and appropriate public education (FAPE) to your child through a combination of review and enrichment activities.

Your child's special education teacher has been in contact with you in regards to your child's IEP, needs for specialized instruction, and related services. Instruction will be provided virtually and/or through pencil/paper activities. We are aware that not all children will learn best in this current environment. Once we are able to return to school, IEP meetings will be scheduled for those students who need additional instruction, related services, and/or compensatory education as a result of the time spent away from his/her usual school environment.

While we are operating under the closure, re-evaluations (with the exception of those needing additional testing) and annual IEP meetings will be held via phone or videoconferencing. If your child was to be administered new testing, contact will be made and evaluations will be completed as soon as possible once school resumes.

We understand the challenges school closure has caused and want to do our part in ensuring your child's access to learning. We also appreciate the expanded role that has been put upon you the parent. We strive to be a support to you as well. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the school district at the number above or Anthony Watt at 814-274-9880 ext. 414 or awatt@iu9.org. Thank you for your flexibility, patience, and understanding.

Sincerely,


Jacqueline A. Canter
Superintendent

Cc: student file