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To all Students and Staff of Scales Mound School,

First, I want to thank our students, staff, and community as we plan for the closure of Scales Mound CUSD #211. At this point, we will be closed starting March 17, through March 30, 2020. If this were to change we would notify you as soon as possible.

During the closure all events and activities are cancelled or postponed. We will be implementing a Sanitization Plan for the building, buses, playgrounds, and any other area that is accessed by students, staff, or visitors. An administrator throughout the closure will staff the office, however, there may be times that it will need to be closed. Therefore, we ask that if you need anything from the building, please call to make an appointment.

Beginning Tuesday, March 17, 2020, we will be providing a meal for any student who requests it. The meal will contain a lunch and breakfast for the next morning. Meals will be picked up at the lower high school entrance door from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM. If you would like to order a meal for your child, email us at lunch@scalesmound.net or call the main office to put in an order. All orders must be submitted by 6:00 PM the day before pick-up.

Beginning March 17, 2020, we will have the library open by appointment only on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. We offer this service to allow parents to check out books for their children to read and for elementary students to check out a computer or iPad to work on educational material. Email or call Hannah Wiegel to set up an appointment at hannahwiegel@scalesmound.net or (815) 845-2215 ext. 320.

Today, elementary students were provided with "Blizzard Bags" containing educational material that students can work on during the closure. These resources are intended to help students stay cognitively engaged while they are out of school. They may include educational family activities as well as individual material. The junior high and high school students were told to take their computers home and provided with information from their teachers on material and ways to continue their learning. Students can access teacher's Google classroom material or other resources provided to them by the teacher through the use of their devices. Additionally, we have put a number of resources on our school website (www.scalesmound.net) for families to access educational resources and websites.

Our goal during the closing is to provide our students with a continuation of learning through the resources provided by staff and ISBE. We also want to keep our students and community safe while proactively helping slow the spread of this virus.

I look forward to having everyone back healthy and safe on March 31, 2020 at 8:00 AM. Thank you for all of your support and understanding while we work through this unprecedented event. We will continue to provide you with updated information, as it is available.

Take care and be safe.

Sincerely,
William G. Caron, Ed.D.
Superintendent