



**ELIZABETHTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**DISTRICT OFFICE**

March 27, 2020

Dear Families,

The Elizabethtown Area School District (EASD) is committed to making a good faith effort to provide continuity of education, as well as enrichment and review opportunities inclusive of student engagement opportunities, teacher-led activities, and services that are appropriate and reasonable for students while our school district is closed due to COVID-19. During this state-ordered, extended closure (10 or more consecutive days), EASD will strive to provide a free and appropriate public education (FAPE) consistent with the need to protect the health and safety of students with disabilities and those individuals providing education, specialized instruction, and related services.

Gifted education, special education, and related services will be provided through an assortment of methods including but not limited to virtually, online, and through recorded videos complete with consultation and/or other modalities as needed. If your child is currently participating in a program outside of the EASD we have been working closely with those programs, and you will be contacted by **THEIR** staff to explain the details of those specific programs. Given the parameters set forth by Governor Wolf, the school district is not able to provide all services in the same manner they are typically provided. The IEP team will work collaboratively to collect student data through practices of observation remotely and reviews of student work.

The special education team values education and we value your child. We understand the challenges that the school closure has caused and want to do our part in ensuring your child has equal access to learning. We also appreciate the expanded role that has been placed upon families and we want to be a support for you as well. Thank you for your continued cooperation as we work to ensure the safety of our students, staff, and communities.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Walter Smith  
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