



# THOMPSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Thompson Families,

As you know, Gov. Lamont has ordered schools to be closed until at least April 20<sup>th</sup>. As a result, we will be extending our distance learning program to include preschool through grade four. Any family that does not have access to a computer at home should have already informed your child's teacher or Principal Beltram by email, [Nbeltram@thompsonpublicschools.org](mailto:Nbeltram@thompsonpublicschools.org) or by calling the school and leaving a message, (860) 923-9142.

Families who have already made contact indicating you need a computer can pick them up during the following two distribution times at the middle school front doors on:

Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> 11:30 am to 1:00 pm  
4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

**Please be sure to bring identification with you when picking up the device as our tech staff may not recognize you.** Our staff will be practicing social distancing when distributing the devices and will place them on the table for you to handle.

## **Meal Program:**

I am delighted to announce that along with our snack donations from "It Starts at Home", Woodstock Orchards is donating fresh apples to be distributed with our lunch and breakfast meal program. I want to Thank both Woodstock Orchards and Jill St. Cyr for their generous donations. Please note that we plan to continue to provide free lunch and breakfast for any Thompson child up to the age of eighteen daily Monday through Friday at the three distribution sites listed below.

TEEG	11:30 am to 12:30 pm
Thompson Library	11:00 am to 11:45 am
Quinebaug Fire Station	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

## **Learning from Home:**

All students should be in contact with their teachers each day via a variety of online programs, calls, or email. If you or your child has not been in regular contact with your child's teacher, please contact your school Principal by leaving a message at the school or by email.

Thompson Middle School students who were absent from school on Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> and/or Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> were notified prior to the end of school to pick up school work packets. To date, several packets of work still remain in the TMS Office. If your child did not receive their work packet for the past two weeks, please call the school and leave a message or contact Principal Knowlton at [Sknowlton@thompsonpublicschools.org](mailto:Sknowlton@thompsonpublicschools.org) so we can arrange a time for you to pick up the work. As you know, all the assignments must be completed to receive a grade.

I will continue to keep you up to date with new information. Please take care of your family and be safe during this health emergency. We all miss being together!

Sincerely,

*Melinda A. Smith*

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Superintendent of Schools