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Dear Todd Beamer High School Parents and Guardians,

Once again, we enter Week 3 of Remote Instruction for all scholars. The transition was not without its challenges, but they're adversities that we are all learning to overcome together. I also recognize that you have a lot of questions about grades, zoom meetings (see attached scheduler for your student), and how to help support your scholar through these unprecedented times. I wish I had all the answers for you. The important thing is this: do your best to support your child, encourage participation, and communicate with your student's teacher. We are here for you. Our teachers are incredibly caring and will do what is feasible to help students master standards taught prior to the building closure March 13th. Their grades may improve!

What I can also tell you is this: we are ALL in it together—teachers, scholars, support staff, central office staff, and you. We have created a new system of instruction almost overnight...and our underlying motto is this: DO NO HARM.

Next week, our teachers will be monitoring participation from students either through zoom meetings, Canvas activities, direct communication via phone, text, or email. We want to know who are not engaged because we plan to do welfare checks to make sure they're doing okay!

Also next week, our district will be surveying families and scholars about their experience so far with remote learning. We want feedback in order to improve, refine, and strengthen our remote learning plan as a district.

Finally, we want to clarify our district's grading guidelines as a follow up to our all staff communication a couple of weeks ago, in accordance with OSPI.

- For High School and Middle School Credit Bearing Courses: all high school students (including those middle schoolers earning high school credit) will receive letter grades: A, B, C or an I (for Incomplete).
- No F will be assigned. Students will receive the grade they earned as of March 13 (school closure) OR they can improve their grade by working with their teacher to prove standard proficiency.
- If a student had an F as of March 13 and does not engage in remote learning, they may receive an Incomplete and will be given an opportunity to earn the credit later.
- An Incomplete (I) means no credit will be awarded for the course.

It is our hope to hold a Zoom meeting for our parents and scholars very soon. In the meantime, continue to obtain information on our school website as well as our district website. And as always, feel free to contact me at aweather@fwps.org.

Stay healthy, extend grace, we're here for you,

Anali Weatherhead, Principal