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Dear BVCS Families,

I hope that you and your loved ones are weathering this crisis as well as possible under these circumstances. Never forget that Psalm 18:2 says, "The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold." Continue to trust in God and his great love for you. BVCS has been praying for you and we have cherished your outpouring of love and support. We miss you all!

Originally it was shared with you that the earliest students would return to school would be May 4. We now have further guidance and directives from State Superintendent of Instruction and Governor Gavin Newsom to keep schools closed through the end of the current school year. We are being asked to take a safety-first approach and immediate action to extend the school facility closures through the end of the school year. Although we are not able to meet together, school still goes on. It is so hard to not have our campus filled with staff and students!

BVCS staff will continue to:

- Provide education TK 12th grades through distance learning
- Train on techniques to provide improved long-term online instruction
- Provide a Preschool Essential Service care room
- Plan for promotion/graduation ceremonies we are still planning to do something in the future to recognize our students' achievements and life transition
- Assist with school enrollment for 2020-2021 school year and perform other office duties

As we prepare to fully launch our online instruction TK - 12 grade on Monday, April 6, 2020, we ask for patience and understanding as we are all quickly transitioning into a new way of teaching and learning to meet the health and safety impacts of COVID-19. It is challenging for educators and families to learn and communicate in a very new world, but working together, we can and will meet this challenge. Let's continue to show love, patience and grace as we learn together. I have no doubt that God will continue to give us his peace.

We appreciate everyone's hard work, effort, and positive attitude as we all adjust. Please know we are here to serve you and your child through this season.

Blessings,

Michelle Mott Superintendent