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Dear Hamburg Central School District Families,

In accordance with the Erie County Executive recommendation that people avoid large gatherings of more than 50 people, and in light of the declaration of multiple States of Emergency, all Erie County school districts will be closed until April 20, 2020. During the week of April 13<sup>th</sup> we will determine if the length of closure will need to be extended.

We know that these circumstances are unsettling and that the closing of our schools, even for a day, will cause hardships among many in our community. To ensure that children and families have access to as many of the resources to which you have grown accustomed, we have enacted a Continuity of Services Plan which includes the following initial steps:

- Our educators will engage all of our students in thinking and learning during the period that we are closed using tools and strategies that are consistent with our Strategic Plan.
- We have developed an Alternate School Meal Program for all students who qualify for Free and Reduce Price Lunch.
- We have also developed a plan to remain in contact with our students who are most reliant on the emotional health supports that our schools provide.
- We will sanitize and seal each school so that it is ready to safely welcome students and staff back when this public health crisis abates.

Despite our physical separation from your children, we will do all we can to remain present in their lives through the steps we've outlined above. Specific details of the Hamburg Central School District's Continuity of Services plan to support thinking and learning, healthy meals for eligible students and emotional health supports for students already receiving those services through the school will be distributed early this week.

I am confident that the relationship that we've built over the years will sustain us through this very difficult time. I will continue to communicate with everyone often as the circumstances require.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Cornell  
Superintendent of Schools