

GERMANTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

123 Main Street, Germantown, New York 12526-5338

Dear Germantown families,

As your school community, we recognize the impact and hardship the closing of our school will present for families. Please know our faculty and staff will work together to best support you and your children during this time, as well continue to keep you informed of decisions made that will impact everyone. Outlined below is information that applies to our 7 through 12th grade students.

Learning: On Monday, our faculty and staff worked together to prepare remote learning materials and supporting school supplies for all students. Although each grade level and subject area differs in content, you may expect to find a sample schedule for days home, learning worksheets, educational websites, supportive reading and math resources, as well as activity suggestions for art, music, and physical activity. All students have been issued a computing device this year. If the device is not working or needs repair, please let us know asap as we have technicians here at school available to repair them.

If your child was unable to attend school Tuesday to bring home the materials or clean out their lockers, students and/or guardians will be let into the building on Wednesday and Thursday, from 8AM to 3PM, to retrieve materials from lockers. Most learning tasks and activities have been emailed to students. If students are unable to retrieve their email, please contact the High School office.

Food Distribution: We are currently working on an distribution plan of prepackaged breakfast and lunch items for our families in need. Our Backpack program will continue without disruption as well. Please check our district website for updated information or call our office at 537-6281, x 2311 if you lack internet connectivity.

Support and Communication: Remote learning has the potential to be very isolating for our students. Our faculty and staff will be consistently communicating with your children to offer support and help in terms of academic, social-emotional and resource needs. Our service providers will be sending home activities to address OT, PT, Speech and Language and Counseling plans. However, should you have any questions or concerns at any time, please call me directly at 537-6281, x 2311 or email me at jdidonna@germantowncsd.org. We are here to help in whatever capacity you or your child may need.

The generous support and connectivity shown by our local community is overwhelming and reflective of the true spirit of our Germantown Central School District. Please do not hesitate to reach out to any of our school personnel if there is anything you need during this time. We are here to help build an even more resilient community.

Think you,

James DiDonna, Junior/Senior High School Principal