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Dear Ruidoso Middle School Families,

We are embarking on a journey of continuous learning that is new to all of us. As we do so, we recognize that there are many concerns about your child's academic success. We are here for you and together we can make this work! Don't stress about trying to be the perfect Crisis School parent. Focus on taking care of yourself and your family. When our students do come back to school, we will work diligently to meet them where they're at and move them forward! This is our job, what we have been trained to do, and what we are passionate about.

Our teachers are working to create a weekly menu of learning opportunities that will be engaging to students and open to teacher feedback. These learning opportunities will be matched to essential standards and driven by student interest, fun, and created with considerations for the current situation. We will also share resources and ideas. BUT! Don't let your kids spend all day doing school work, NMPED recommends no more than 3 hours per day. Twenty years from now your student will not remember what they did or did not learn during this time, nor will their learning be irreparably set back.

Do things you always wish you had time for, but never find the time for. In the end, these are the things that matter most. Just breath and rest assured we will get through this and be stronger and better on the other side of it.

Ruidoso Schools will roll out its five week continuous learning plan on April 13th. Until then, please know teachers are working on learning new formats, having virtual meetings to get plans rolling and working on the promised learning opportunities. RMS Advisory teachers are reaching out through Google Classroom this week and are excited for your child to check in. If you have had a recent phone number change, please contact your child's Advisory teacher to update contact information.

Grab and Go meals continue to be distributed at White Mountain Elementary from 10:15 - 1:00 Monday - Friday. The Backpack 4 Kids food program for weekend food items continues as well, with pick up and drop off at White Mountain Elementary. Additionally, RMSD continues three bus routes that provide meals for students (see district website or Facebook for the details).

Tell your children we miss them and can't wait to see them. We wish you all well!
Wash your hands, don't touch your face and read at least 20 minutes every single day!

With warm regards,

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