Dear Families and Friends,

I wanted to primarily thank my amazing faculty and staff who have worked so hard in preparing to transition to distance learning. This turn-around was so quick and unexpected. Their flexibility and willingness to ensure quality education continues during this time speaks volumes of their professionalism and dedication to the mission of STM and our students. You will be receiving, if not already, your communications form the classroom teachers today.

To keep things consistent you can expect the following from our transition to Distance Learning:

- Plans will be posted that will include DAILY activities for students, description as to how new content will be delivered (handouts, video links, ppts, etc), Office Hour Times, and what the students are expected to turn in for grades.
- Teachers, Admin, and Staff will be available via e-mail each day 8am-3pm. Response time may vary based on teacher office hours.
- You should closely monitor e-mail each day.
- Resource teachers will offer separate office hours specifically for their students to offer additional support.
- Adjustments may need to be made, as this process is new to all of us.
- Take a deep breath and do your best.

We will be closing the 3rd Quarter on its regularly scheduled end date of Thursday, March 19. Grades will be e-mailed as usual.

Lastly, since we find ourselves in such an unprecedented status, if your family finds yourself needing support of any kind, not limited to food, financial support, etc. please reach out to our school counselor, Colleen O’Brien cobrien@stmcsnc.org and/or myself. We are here to be a support to all our STM families.

Sincerely,

Darrell Fulford

Principal