March 19 at 4 p.m.

**Statewide Coronavirus Hotline — (888) 535-6136**
The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services launched a statewide hotline to respond to your health-related questions about COVID-19. The hotline is open **seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.** Public health and other experts will answer your questions and direct you to the resources available in your local communities and in other state government departments.

**Social Distancing does not have to mean Social Isolation**
You’ve likely all seen our messages asking people not to meet up for playgroups or sports practices, or to play on the playground together. Minimizing contact truly can help flatten the curve. But it doesn’t mean we have to feel isolated. Today’s challenge (stolen from South’s video message to families and staff): **reach out to 5 people**. Text a friend to check on them. Email a thank you to a teacher or student who is doing great work as we adjust to a new learning platform. Post on social media a thank you to our buildings and grounds crew working to clean and disinfect our buildings. Leave a voicemail for a neighbor or grandparent. Send a letter to a friend in an assisted living environment that cannot receive visitors now. Write a chalk message of hope for people walking their dogs.

**Technology** - You can sign a contract and check out a device at 389 St. Clair, TONIGHT Thursday 3/19, from 4-7 p.m., or Poupard Elementary, 20655 Lennon, Harper Woods this Friday 3/20, from 8-10 a.m. If neither of these dates and times work, [please complete this google form to obtain a device at a later date](#)
Parent tech questions can be directed to 313-432-3131 (please leave a voicemail) or email parentconnect@gpschools.org

**Food** - Please take advantage of free breakfast (8-10 a.m.) and lunch 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday at Defer Elementary, 15425 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park Poupard Elementary, 20655 Lennon, Harper Woods
You can pick up multiple meals at a time to minimize exposure (think about what you will need over the weekend). There is no charge.

**Questions** - Respond to this email if you have questions that have not been answered in the [COVID FAQ](#) we update daily or tips on how we can improve as we learn together. Links not working from mobile devices have been fixed - thank you for that feedback!