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Dear Jones County School System Staff, Students, and Families,

We understand the impact COVID-19 has had on our community, our students, and families. The Jones County community has risen to the occasion in tremendous support of one another, and the transition to digital learning by our students and teachers has been remarkable. I want to provide further guidance for the remainder of this school year.

Our academic calendar will be abbreviated in order to finalize grades and close out the school year. The last day of online instruction for students will be May 15, and the last day for seniors will be on May 8, 2020. Between now and those final dates, students will continue to receive digital support from teachers to support mastery of standards on the assignments they have received.

Student grades will not be negatively impacted due to COVID-19 school closure. Grades will not decrease from the student's academic standing on March 13, 2020. However, participation in online learning will serve to remediate, accelerate, and/or improve student grades.

When further guidance is provided by health officials, times will be scheduled for students to come in and retrieve their belongings. I will continue to provide information made available to our district as we receive it from the Georgia Department of Education, Department of Public Health, and the Governor's office.

Stay safe. We look forward to seeing you all again as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

*Charles W. Gibson*

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