

DRAFT: Parent Permission

Dear Parents,

First and foremost, I want to extend my concern to all our families at this difficult time. The district knows that every family has challenges because of the COVID-19 pandemic. For many of us, this virus and the Governor's public school closure have turned our world upside down.

We are making a good faith effort to begin some activities for our students with disabilities. The special education teachers are working very hard to prepare enrichment and review activities based on each student's IEP goals. This week they are learning about a virtual platform called Microsoft Team. Team can be used on your child's school district device and allows for small group meetings. We want your child and their teachers to interact face to face, if possible. Teams will also allow social workers, speech, occupational, and physical therapists to work with the children receiving these group services.

With the use of Microsoft Teams, the district cannot guarantee the privacy of your child in this small group setting where all students have an IEP. It is possible that other people in a household can see and hear the activities. I am asking for your permission to allow your child to be part of a Team.

Please reply to this email with your decision. A simple "yes" or "no" is fine, but if you have any questions we will work with you to answer them.

Kindly,