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Dear Excelsior Community,

Even though there is severe and difficult news all around us, we take a moment to wish you a **Happy St. Patrick's Day!** I have given Mrs. Kimbler the official title of Excelsior's St. Patrick's Day representative as she is sparkling with green. The rest of us are green with envy and wish our halls were full of students in green polo's.

Now back to serious business. I want to share more news with you about Excelsior's online learning program. In both the elementary and middle school, teachers are communicating with students and parents through the Google Classroom platform. In this platform, our teachers provide videos, assignments, and direction towards other sites to complete the virtual classwork. Student completed work can be scanned in or photographed and uploaded to Google Classroom. We hope you are pleased with the first day of online learning. We plan to have many more lessons and videos in the next few days. Our effort is to keep the online material streamlined through one platform for your ease during this transition to online learning.

We thank our lunch staff for providing the grab and go lunches to our drop-by students. We had never thought of a school with a "drive-through" service, but now we know it is possible.

In final news, we have been advised to reduce the number of people in our school buildings at one time. For this reason, we have set a shift schedule for our employees, and the main office will close to the public at 2:00 P.M. on weekdays until further notice.

Thank you for your support of Excelsior Academy during this time of much change. We will be in touch with new information as it arrives and its effects on our school.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Eccles
Executive Director of Excelsior Academy