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Doss CCSD will create and sustain an environment to inspire curiosity, respect tradition, and embrace excellence.

Mission:

District Values: Love, Respect, Serve

April 24, 2020

Dear Parents, Guardians, Employees and Community:

Via Electronic Mail

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, administration, and employees, thank you for caring for children and education, and for your support of Doss Consolidated Common School District. We encourage you to be confident in your children and stay safe, stay home, and be strong. Remember, *Apart We Stand Together!*

During this unprecedented school closure we are grateful to you for providing at-home instruction. We applaud and appreciate you working with your children. Teachers have worked diligently to provide lesson plans, support materials, and other resources to guide the daily learning. We are pleased with the progress of children, yet with the recent announcement of school closure through the end of the year we will soon use the instructional resource packets designed by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) for use by any school district.

Information regarding school closure may be found on the TEA website, with instructional materials specifically available on their website (address below). The agency has made available a web version and a print copy of instructional packets students. **To provide continuity for our students and consistency with the required curriculum, Doss CCSD has ordered a print packet for each child.** These packets include eight weeks of grade level instruction for four core areas: English Language Arts and Reading, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies.

These printed instructional packets have been shipped to the mailing address we have on file for each student. We ask you to hold on to them until you receive electronic mail plans and directions from individual classroom teachers. We do not expect students to finish eight weeks of instruction in the next five weeks of the school year, but plan to use the packets as one means to monitor learning progress. In addition, we anticipate using the instructional packets as a bridge to new learning introduced in the next academic year.

Instructional continuity is important to the growth and learning success of every student. To further support learning, two other packets will arrive by mail very soon. From Scholastic, a grade-level appropriate grab-and-go packet of five books for each student will provide individual student reading practice. Additionally, mailed from the school a book entitled "A Boy Called Bat" by Elana K. Arnold will provide an opportunity for family reading time. Teachers will very soon send you information and directions regarding all three mailed packets.

The safety and well-being of everyone are of paramount importance. We realize you have various adjustments due to the COVID-19 health crisis. We recognize that you are providing instructional guidance for children due to the school closure. We sincerely thank you and invite you to contact us for anything you may need.

Sincerely,

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TEA Instructional Site Referenced: https://texashomelearning.org/

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Print Copy: https://texashomelearning.org/parent-print-select-grade

Doss CCSD Website: http://dossccsd.org/

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