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Good afternoon Johnston families and staff. As you may have heard, Governor Raimondo has extended the distant learning plan through the month of April. There will be a decision on the month of May toward the end of the April. She requested that districts adhere to a proposed calendar for the month. There will be two teacher planning days on April 3 and April 17. On those days, teachers will not be teaching on line but rather preparing future lessons. Students may have assignments to complete on those days however. April 9th and 10th will be school holidays where there will be no school sessions and the school department will be closed giving students and staff a long weekend. At this time the state has applied for a waiver on state testing for RICAS and SAT. If approved, those tests will be cancelled for this year and the school classifications will remain the same until next year. Teacher Assistants will have Professional Development tomorrow on the Google Suite. Please check your emails for this information. The training will begin at 10:30 AM. Also note that the local mobile phone carriers have made smart phone hot spots available to families for free. You can access this feature on your mobile device if you do not have access to the internet at home. This offer will be in place until May 18. Please don't access the mobile hot spot if you don't need it as the system will not be able to respond to a high demand. The Governor also asked that we make April reading month and encouraged all students and families to read every day of the month. If your child is in need of emotional support during this period, please connect with Kids Link at Lifespan by calling 1-855-543-5465. Thank you for your attention and for your patience during this difficult period. Be safe and have a great evening.

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