Greetings DTE Families,

Happy Sunday! ♥ We hope that each of you are staying safe and enjoying the BIG thaw out as much as we are! ♥ ♥ We have several updates and announcements listed for the upcoming week. Please see below!

Asynchronous Learning:

1. Per Shelby County Schools, all students (PreK-12) will engage in asynchronous learning for the entire week, February 22nd-February 26th. This means that children will login in the morning to receive their assignments to be completed without the teacher (*on their own*). Teachers will also take attendance during this time. Please see the attached flyer for more information. We understand inclement weather has the potential to cause power outages and/or affect home internet access, and <u>no students will be penalized for missed assignments or attendance in such instances that are beyond their control.</u>

Please ensure your child is logged into their teacher's class by 8:15 a.m. Teachers will begin reviewing the work and taking attendance. Teachers will log off at 8:30 a.m. If students join class after 8:30 a.m., and have not been accounted for, for attendance purposes, parents will need to contact the main office (901-416-8400) to ensure we have accurate attendance for your child.

Choosing Your Child's Learning Option:

2. Please remember to choose your child's learning option if needed. The deadline to update the learning option is Wednesday, February 24th by 2:00 p.m. If you do not wish to change your child's learning option, no further action is needed.

If a student comes to school March 1st, and the parent has not identified the child as an in-person learner, they will not be permitted to stay. We must have a 24 hour notice if students are returning to school in person. This is a safety protocol that we must put into place to ensure everyone remains safe.

Please be mindful that in the event we have a large population of students returning to the building, we may have to use overflow rooms such as the cafeteria and multipurpose room to effectively socially distance all students.

You may call any of the three phone numbers and someone will be happy to assist you: 901-416-8400/901-416-8407/901-416-8402.

School Supplies and Uniform Policy:

3. We have attached the school supply list and uniform policy for DTE. All students returning to in-person learning will be required to wear uniforms. Additionally, students

who are leaning in-person will not be permitted to share supplies. We will try our best to accommodate students who do not have supplies. However, please note, that we sent the majority of our school supplies home with students in August to support 100% virtual learning. Water fountains will not be open for public use. Students will need to bring their own water bottles (please see the supply list).

Lastly, we have attached our flyer for our Title One Family Training and the Safe Reentry Meeting that will take place <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>February 23rd from 4:00 p.m.- 6:00</u> p.m. The parent training will be held from 4:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. The Re-entry Meeting will begin promptly at 5:00 p.m. and end at 6:00 p.m. Both meetings will take place in the same TEAMS' link. Please see the attached flyer to join or join using the link provided in this email.

Join on your computer or mobile app

Click here to join the meeting

We are committed to keeping you informed! Please reach out to me (williamsba2@scsk12.org) or AP Smith-Taylor (smithtaylornj@scsk12.org) if you have additional questions.

Brandye A. Williams Principal **Downtown Elementary Optional School** 901.416.8400 (Main Office) 901.416.8406 (Fax) williamsba2@scsk12.org "We CAN. We WILL. We MUST." **Please allow 24 hours for a response**

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