## **Sullivan West Central School District**

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Stephen A. Walker Superintendent of Schools



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Dear Bulldog Students:

By now, you know that our schools will need to be closed for a while, as a result of the spread of the "Coronavirus". As a way to try to keep each of you, and the people in your family, from becoming sick, our schools will be closed. This wasn't an easy decision to make, but it is the right decision, for you, your teachers, and our communities. Many schools around New York State, the United States, and even around the world, are closing their schools, for the same reason.

I understand that this may be a scary and nervous time for you, and I assure you the adults in your life feel the same way. But, we are getting great advice from some of the best doctors, and we will make sure that when our schools are ready to re-open, they will be the same wonderful, happy places that you are used to. We will all be thrilled to welcome you back to school as soon as we can!

In the meantime, while schools are closed, please make sure to do a few things. First, please be sure to make responsible choices for your family. This is a challenging time for the adults in your life, so please listen closely to what they need you to do. Your teachers will be making sure you have some work to do, so make sure to spend time thinking through that work, so you can keep your minds sharp. Also, please read, as much as you can, as often as you can! And finally, take care of yourself! Laugh, go outdoors, have fun, and know that this situation will pass, and soon we will be back in school together.

Thank you, Bulldogs, for being such a special part of our entire community.

We will see you soon!

Your Superintendent,

Mr. Walker