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All NACOG Head Start and Early Head Start Families,

NACOG Head Start and Early Head Start has developed this guidance to assist all of their sites, staff, children and families with their response to the 2019 novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak.

As you are aware, Head Start & Early Head Start(HS/EHS) programs have been encouraged to follow directives as each school district provides. Therefore, our approach has been that if the district closes so will the HS/EHS.

As of 3/30/ 2020 Governor Ducey announced a statewide closure of schools through the end of the school year. This means until further notice or guidance from Office of Head Start your NACOG HS/EHS programs will remain closed.

It is our understanding that most districts will continue to prepare and disseminate breakfast and lunch. Please check with your local district for more information.

Per Office of Head Start, employees are required to continue to engage families and to deliver services to the extent possible, *remotely*. Employees need to provide resource and referral information to all families in need. Therefore, please expect phone calls, texts, and/or email correspondence by our staffs and do not hesitate to let them know how we can be most helpful.

Please continue to check our social media sites to find many creative activities from our staffs.

Please know that we have assessed the impacts of any decision we make on you, our families we serve. Our priority is to ensure staff and children are safe and free from infection.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Stay Well,

Jennifer Brown, Director

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