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Dear WESD Families and Staff,

Well here we are. We are about to pause for Spring Break before many of you will be returning to our schools beginning March 22nd. There are many feelings we are all having (excitement, nervousness, uncertainty and many more) and all are ok. Our schools and our staff are ready for those of you returning and those of you remaining on line. They have practiced mitigation strategies and will be going over them with your returning child.

During Spring Break, we ask that our families follow the mitigation strategies too, which will limit the community transmission. Please wear a well-fitted mask, please wash your hands frequently, please social distance to the best of your ability and please stay home if you are sick. We are one community, one WESD family and we will continue to work together during this pandemic.

This communication contains the following information:

- Maricopa County and ADHS Dashboards;
- Chromebook and Hotspot Return;
- Grab and Go Meals.

Maricopa County Department of Public Health and Arizona Department of Health Services Dashboards

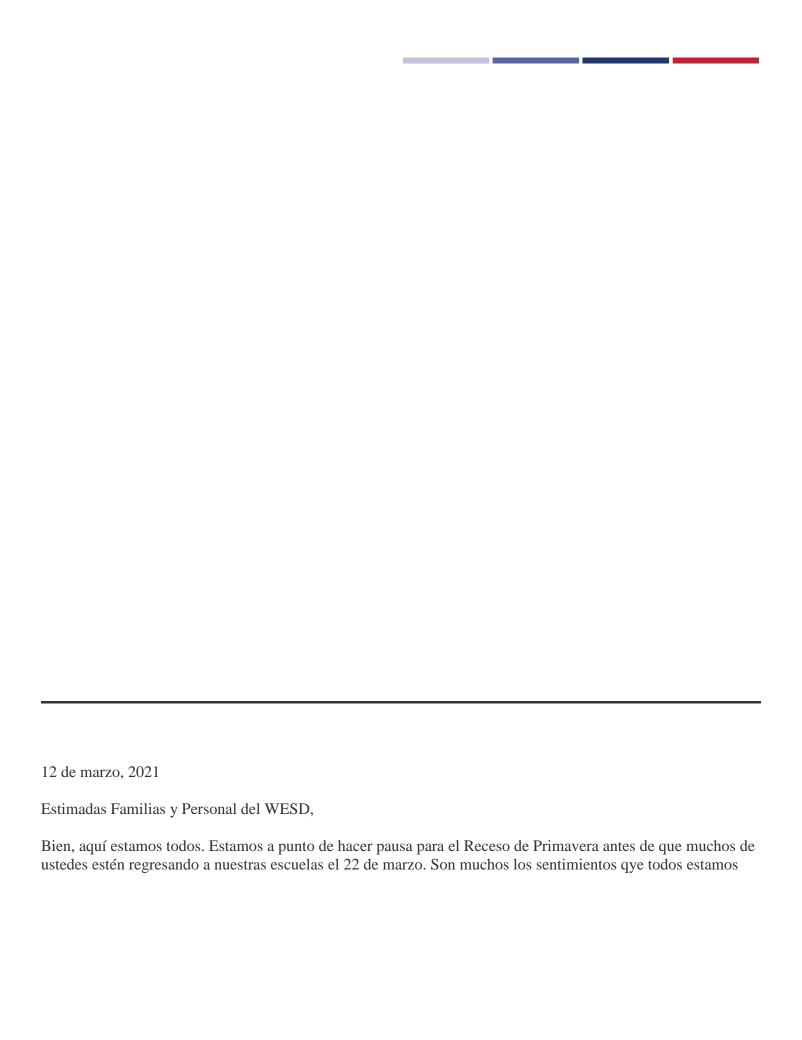
This week, Maricopa County Department of Public Health (MCDPH) updated its school data dashboard to reflect the two metrics the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) uses to determine community transmission levels of COVID-19: cases per 100k people and percent positivity.

While the overall transmission level in Maricopa County is still substantial, both metrics continue to decline in WESD. The dashboard data from MCDPH and the Arizona Department of Health Services are shown at the end of this communication.

It's important to emphasize that while schools are in-person, they must ensure universal and correct use of masks, physical distancing, handwashing and respiratory etiquette, cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities and contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantining.

Chromebook and Hotspot Return

In order to ensure that classrooms will have technology to use in the classroom, students who checked out a Chromebook and hotspot and are returning for in-person learning, **must bring their Chromebook**, **hotspot**



favor de quedarse en casa si están enfermos. Somos una	comunidad, una familia del	WESD y continuaremos
trabajando unidos durante esta pandemia.		

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