

To my dear students and families,

I can't even begin to put into words how much I miss my school family! I pray everyone is staying healthy. Being away from the children makes me realize even more how much I love my time with them. When I come in to the school to work, it is so quiet and I miss all the bright, happy faces I am blessed to get to see every day.

The teachers have been working hard to provide resources and learning opportunities for all of our students. Please check the Elementary web page, and your child's teacher's web page for activities to do at home, and links to many fun learning sites. The ISBE recommended time for at-home instruction is up to 90 minutes per day. These minutes can be spread throughout the day. If you do choose to do it as a large chunk of time, remember to include physical activity and brain breaks. Our Specials teachers (Mrs. Ibberson, Mr. Lambdin, Miss Kline, Mrs. Hampton) have a 'Bingo' sheet of activities that you will find helpful and fun as well.

Remember, food distribution days are each Tuesday of the week from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Pick-up sites are the High School in Virden or the Intermediate and Middle School in Girard. The meal bags include 5 breakfasts and 5 lunches. This week, in addition to PBJ's, we had lunchables and fresh veggies in the bags. We look forward to seeing families as they 'grab and go!'

Please feel free to contact me at any time by email at: mcimarossa@northmacschools.org. You can also call the school at 217-965-5424, and leave a message, and I will return your call as soon as I possibly can.

Boys and girls,

You know me, whether at home or school, I expect you to 'Work Hard, Be Nice, and Do Great Things!' My expectation is that you are reading, practicing numbers and math facts, writing every day, and doing the work your teachers are working so hard to get to you. You know I am all about you building your brains and becoming the best you can be! If you can, write some letters or make some cards for Nursing Home residents, or elderly people you know are at home by themselves, or Veterans thanking them for their service. You could also write to your teacher, and I bet your teacher would write back!

Please know how much I miss you, how much I can't wait to see you again, and how much I love you.

Don't forget to say the Pledge of Allegiance and the Panther Pack daily!!

Everyone, Every Day!

Love, Mrs. Cimarossa