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Gilbert Garza, Jr., Interim Superintendent

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Dear Edinburg CISD Staff,

As we approach the third week of the spring semester, I want to remind you that Monday, February 8, 2021, is an instructional workday designated in our amended 2020-2021 school calendar. It is the day after the Super Bowl. Many of you may be celebrating at home or participating in a Super Bowl social event. Keep in mind that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that the safest way to celebrate the Super Bowl this year is by gathering virtually or with the people that live with you at home. The CDC also suggests that if you do have a small gathering with people who don't live with you, outdoors is safer than indoors. Just sit at least 6 feet away from your guests.

As part of our commitment to your safety, the District continues to offer free COVID-19 testing for employees and students. Our nurses provide the FREE testing benefit at any campus. You will need to bring your driver's license or picture ID and pre-register at register.txrapidtest.org. For more information about the testing project, please call our nurses at (956) 289-2300, ext. 2027 or 2028.

We continue to work with local and state health authorities to secure COVID-19 vaccines. The Texas Department of State Health Services has approved our application to be a direct provider of the COVID-19 vaccine. Edinburg CISD is the first school district to receive this authorization in Hidalgo County. Being a vaccine provider will help our efforts to launch a district-wide immunization program for our employees. Our Health Services Department is awaiting the arrival of the vaccines. I will keep you updated with information as soon as it becomes available.

February is American Heart Month. I encourage everyone to wear red on Fridays throughout the month to raise awareness about cardiovascular disease. According to the American Heart Association, heart disease is preventable when people adopt a healthy lifestyle, stop smoking, maintain a healthy weight, control blood sugar and cholesterol, treat high blood pressure, exercise weekly, and get regular checkups. Thank you for your continued support of this and other great causes. Feel free to contact your principal, supervisor, or me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Gilbert Garza, Jr.
Interim Superintendent

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