S.C. GOVERNOR CLOSES DISTRICT 50 SCHOOLS FOR REMAINDER OF SCHOOL YEAR

Update on District 50 plans Wednesday, April 22nd

Earlier today, Governor Henry McMasters announced that all schools in Greenwood School District 50 will be closed for the remainder of the school year. All activities and events for the duration of the school year have been cancelled by the Governor.

"We are extremely concerned about the safety and well being of all of our students and staff," Superintendent Glenn stated. "We are currently exploring options in regards to celebrating the accomplishments of all of our students. At this time, it is our sincere hope that we can work with our seniors and staff to develop graduation exercises that are safe and memorable for everyone involved."

During the closure, distance learning packets have been distributed to elementary students every three weeks. Middle and high school students have utilized their Chromebooks to continue with their eLearning activities.

The district's Child Nutrition staff and dedicated school and community volunteers have served over **124,000 meals** since the school closure. Emergency meal sites at Brewer, Northside, Westview, and Lakeview will continue to remain open Mondays and Thursdays from 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. If a parent/guardian does not have transportation to one of the sites, email <u>d50emergencymeals@gwd50.org</u>.

"I realize this has been a challenging time for everyone," Dr. Glenn said. "However, I am so proud of the way our students, parents, staff, and community have worked together to make us successful during this crisis. We appreciate everyone's support and willingness to make adjustments. I would continue to encourage everyone to stay healthy and remain calm during this time."

Information on graduation, summer school, distance learning packets, and continuing eLearning activities will be provided in the near future. Please continue to monitor the district's website and social media pages for official updates.