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Dear H2O Families,

As a reminder from our last message, Heart Haven OutReach (H2O) has cancelled all face to face programming from now through April 5<sup>th</sup>, in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. We are still able to continue to run most of our programs digitally through an online platform called Zoom. Also, we will no longer be having regular office hours. If you have a need to meet in person, please schedule with a staff member prior to showing up at H2O.

**H2O Students:** We want to still connect with you during these weeks off of school! We have figured out a way to continue to offer Tuesday night support groups, Wednesday afternoon "Good Clean Fun", and Thursday evening "Going Deeper" programs digitally for you to join from the comfort of your own home! Here is a link to our schedule for the next 2 weeks: <http://bit.ly/h2oprog>. We will keep this up to date as we learn more information about how long this break will last. Just like we do during the school year, we need you to sign up ahead of time to let us know you will be joining us. You can sign up at [www.hearthavenoutreach.org/teen](http://www.hearthavenoutreach.org/teen). Please sign up each day you plan on attending. After you have signed up through this link, another link will be sent to your email and/or texted to your phone on how to join this group when the program is about to begin.

If you need to talk to someone 1to1, please do not hesitate to reach out! We do plan on continuing to do 1to1 mentoring digitally throughout this time as well. Please reach out to your mentor, or any of the H2O staff, if you need to talk.

**Parents:** This is a new way for us to be doing "H2O". We have done a lot of research and have been in communication with others who have used the Zoom platform before. We feel confident it will be a positive way for your child(ren) to stay connected and supported in similar ways in which H2O was able to do prior to the social distancing requirements. We are asking students to find a distraction-free place to be during these H2O Zoom groups. We also are setting an expectation that once they join the group, they stay on, until the end. If you have any questions about how the program will work over this time, please give us a call at 630-226-8403 or email us at [info@hearthavenoutreach.org](mailto:info@hearthavenoutreach.org).

**Info about Food:** VVSD and the Plainfield School District are both offering free kids meals for students who need them. VVSD serving times are from 9-11am and will be at Humphrey MS, Bolingbrook HS, Romeoville HS, and Lukancic MS.

In Plainfield, the meals will be available on school days from 7:30-8:30am and again from 12-1pm. The serving locations are at each of the Plainfield High Schools.

We are also working with our partners, Northern Illinois Food Bank, to be able to offer shelf-stable groceries to our families. If this is something you are in need of, please fill out this form: <http://bit.ly/h2ofood>

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