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Dear APW Community Members, Families, Student Government Members, Faculty and Staff,

It was with a heavy heart that the decision was made to close school and cancel all activities yesterday. The Annual Senior Citizens Thanksgiving Dinner is an event that the entire community looks forward to each year. So much time and energy went into planning, organizing, and preparing for this event. I know that many of you were looking forward to gathering together last night, and receiving the news that it would not be taking place as scheduled was a disappointment.

We looked into the possibility of rescheduling for this evening; however, given the short notice and multiple factors involved, it was determined that would not be feasible. With that said, I want to personally acknowledge and thank the members of the JSHS Student Government and Beth Dunham for their leadership, their work as a team in procuring donations, and their efforts this morning as they collectively sought to develop an alternate plan. The Student Government decided on the following plan of action: Prepare the food today so that it would not go to waste; serve staff members to show appreciation of their support for the event; and prepare to-go containers for distribution to our students experiencing a lack of permanent, adequate housing. In addition, Student Government will work with the District to try to plan another exciting event specifically for our senior citizens in the community.

We appreciate your understanding, generosity with donations, and support for our students and advisors who worked so hard to spread goodness throughout the community. Senior Citizens of APW, we hope to invite you back later this year for an unforgettable event that you will absolutely enjoy!

May you all have a Happy Thanksgiving,

Naomi Ryfun, Ed.D.