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Dear Students, Families and School Staff,

Applewood Centers School Based staff is committed to assisting all in getting through this stressful and difficult time the nation is undergoing with COVID-19. Our school based therapists will continue to provide mental health services to all open clients, will offer services for all referrals made for services and will assist our clients in obtaining food via picking up at the schools and delivering directly to open clients' homes. Please know that our therapists will follow all recommendations made by the Centers for Disease Control to ensure that all clients, their families and our staff members' safety is maintained. Therefore services will be provided over the phone and by tele-health to keep all safe.

- Tele-health will be offered by Applewood therapists to all clients and referrals. This will consist of therapy sessions taking place over Skype, Zoom, etc. in place of face-to-face in person sessions. Applewood therapists will assist with the set-up of tele-health. The Applewood therapist and the parent/guardian will be able to work together on choosing a time that works best for all.
- Phone calls will continue to be conducted as well to check in on the needs of clients and referrals. Phone call check ins are also available for all school staff within our buildings to provide support and resources.

Should you have a question, concern or would like to get assistance during the COVID-19 pandemic, please feel free to contact any of the below Applewood School Based Administration:

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Please know that we are here to assist in any way needed. Thank you all for your patience during this time and take care.

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