Dear Guardians,

In accordance with "Declaration of Emergency for Prevention of the Spread of the Infection with the New Corona Virus" of April 10, 2020 by Mie Prefecture, Tsu Municipal schools and kindergartens are closed from April 15 to May 6, 2020. For the prevention of the further spread of the infection and protection of lives and health of children, Tsu Municipal Board of Education has decided to extend the period of No School Days until May 31, 2020.

Since it is difficult for some guardians to take care of children during No School Days, your children's current attending schools and kindergartens are accepting them if necessary. However, as we are required to reduce the opportunity for close contact, schools will accept children of 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade of elementary and compulsory schools only from May 7, 2020. As for children of 4th, 5th and 6th graders of elementary and compulsory schools, please discuss the acceptance with schools if there is any special reason. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

1. General Matters

Children are supposed to stay home during No School Days. However, if it is impossible for guardians to take care of children due to work, for example, and guardians can not guarantee children's safety, schools and kindergartens will accept children. At schools, they will accept children of 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade only. As for children of 4th, 5th and 6th grade of elementary and compulsory schools, please discuss the acceptance with schools only if necessary.

2. Request to guardians

- Please arrange your job schedule and ask your relatives to take care of children as much as possible.
- With the above in mind, please minimize days and hours to let your children come to schools and kindergartens.
- If children, teachers and staff members of currently attending schools and kindergartens are infected with the New Corona Virus, we will stop the acceptance of children immediately. At the same time, we will reconsider acceptance of children at other municipal schools and kindergartens.
- Schools and kindergartens do not accept children with fever and/or cold-like symptom.
- Please note that the guardians are in charge of the commute to schools and kindergartens.
- There is no lunch provided. Please prepare your children's lunch.
- Please take fever and check physical condition of your children every morning.
- Please make your children wash hands well and often.

- Please make your children wear masks and follow hygienic-practice.
- 3. Date and Time of Acceptance

From May 7 to May 31, 2020

 $\label{thm:model} \mbox{Kindergartens}: \mbox{Required hours from } 8:30\mbox{ am to } 2:00\mbox{ pm, Monday to Friday except for National Holidays}$

Elementary and Compulsory Schools: Required hours from 8:30 and to 3:30 pm, Monday to Friday except for National Holidays

Exception: Attendance Days of each school and kindergarten

4. Example of Activities

Elementary and Compulsory Schools

Self-study, reading, drawing, clay work etc.

Please make your children bring materials for self-study.

5. Application

- Please fill out and submit the application form to your child's/children's schools and kindergartens by the previous day of the preferred day of acceptance at schools and kindergartens.
- There are two types of application form.

1: for May 7 – May 15, 2020

2: for May 18 – May 29, 2020

We will provide you with the form 2 in due course.

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