

Memo

To: Parents/Guardians
From: D.J. Shepardson, Superintendent
Date: 3/16/2020
Re: Superintendent's Conference Day

Emergency Closing:

- As I mentioned on Friday and I am sure you have seen through the media, this situation is being taken very seriously as all schools in New York State will be closing this week. It is important to note, that we are not moving any curriculum forward at this time. We will simply be maintain the education each student has received thus far. Building principals will be working with staff, parents/guardians, and students to ensure that students have the necessary materials and have access to school personnel in the event they have questions.
- It is important to note that as of today, the district has cancelled classes for students. The district has not closed its building or its campus, nor has the health department determined that the school building/facility must be closed. Absent a mandated full closure, all staff and students will have access to the school and may do so if necessary. I know some students would like to pick things up they may have left behind. If you are symptomatic, please refrain from coming to the building and we will make alternative arrangements. We will also be delivering some materials to students as well. Again, please contact the building principal (Mr. Broadbent MS/HS, Mrs. Holmes Elementary) by phone/email if you need something or have questions. Please adhere to the guidelines provided above. In addition, continue to check the website on a regular basis as I will provide updates as necessary.

- Beginning, Wednesday, March 18, 2020, all students in the district will have an opportunity to pick-up lunch and breakfast at no charge. This will be done at the main entrance of the high school. We will also work with families who are unable to pick-up at the main entrance of the high school during the times provided. The details of this program information are being distributed to families today and will be announced through all of our communication tools. Pick-up and/or delivery times will be from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.
- As of now, all events along with spring sports have been postponed until further notice. I posted the Section 3 notice on our webpage and social media. Again, this is all subject to change.
- At this time I have no information on long term schedule changes or changes to the academic calendar or requirements, so I will reserve comment on this topic. However, due to the state of emergency invoked by both the county and state the District remains in good standing with all mandated requirements. We will wait for further guidance in the days ahead.
- I know the marking period is scheduled to close during this emergency closure. We will be working together to make adjustments in accordance with guidance from the New York State Education Department. This will work in conjunction with the adjusted school schedule in the upcoming weeks and months.
- If you have any additional questions and/or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the district office or the principal in your child's building. I will continue to keep you updated as new information becomes available. Take care and stay healthy.