

HANOVER PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

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John A. Scola, Ed. D. Superintendent

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Hanover Public School District administration, along with health and government officials, continues to monitor the latest developments regarding COVID-19, also known as the Coronavirus. Though we are unaware of any student or staff member in our district having or being exposed to the virus, it is important for the district to maintain open communication with you regarding our ongoing measures to ensure the safety and security of our students, staff, and community.

To ensure the health, safety, and well-being of our students and staff, and to do our part in trying to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 throughout the District community and region, <u>all Hanover Public School District schools will be closed from March 16, 2020, through March 27, 2020.</u> Please note that all schools in York, Adams, and Franklin Counties are closed as well.

The closure affects <u>all</u> programming within the District, including before and after school activities, all athletic and extracurricular practices and competitions, weekend events, and all facility use by outside groups. We understand that this closure may cause an inconvenience but trust that you will support our efforts on behalf of the wellness of our community.

For the convenience of our families, the district will offer bagged meals to all students beginning Wednesday, March 18, 2020. Any student that would like a meal at no cost can either report to Hanover Street Elementary School or Washington Elementary School between the hours of 11:30am and 1:00pm.

In order to promote instructional equity for all of our students, the district will make up the days through the use of "snow make-up" days, Act 80 days, and other days available to us through communication with the Pennsylvania Department of Education. These methods will be determined once we realize the full scope of impact that closures may have in the coming weeks. Chromebooks will be sent home today with all students in grades 3-12 in order to access instruction through Firefly Blend. Directions for accessing assignments will be posted in Firefly on Monday, March 16, 2020. Additionally, instructional packets will be sent home today with elementary students in grades K-4. If you have any questions regarding the above information, please email your building principal.

All official District updates and information regarding COVID-19 will be sent to you by email or phone and will be posted on Twitter, Facebook, and the district website. As stated previously, all questions should be directed to your building principal via email.

As always, protecting the health and safety of our students and staff is our utmost concern, and we will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation closely and communicate as appropriate.

Sincerely,

Dr. John A. Scola

Superintendent

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