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Bullard Independent School District

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Jack Lee, Superintendent

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Dear Bullard ISD Families and Community –

Bullard ISD has been actively monitoring the COVID-19 situation throughout Spring Break. We have attempted to provide as much communication as possible to ensure that our families and community are aware of the steps the school district is taking.

Earlier today, myself and other senior administration met with the North East Texas Public Health and other Smith and Cherokee County school district representatives. Following information from that meeting, **Bullard ISD has made the decision to extend Spring Break an additional week**. There will be no school March 16th through the 20th, and all students and staff must remain at home.

The district will reevaluate the situation as we progress through this next week. We will release additional information on Friday, March 20, 2020, at 5:00 pm if a decision will be made for a longer school closure. That decision will be made following another scheduled meeting with North East Texas Public Health and Smith and Cherokee County school district representatives.

Additionally, all school events during this closure will be canceled and rescheduled as permitted – this includes all practices, rehearsals, games, or events. Effective immediately, all district facilities will be closed and will not be available for use during the district-wide closure. The only exception is that **Bullard ISD will provide a pick-up lunch for ALL students free of charge**. Lunches will be available for pick up at the Elementary Campus Monday through Friday from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. This is a pick-up lunch only, students will not be allowed in the facilities to eat.

I realize that this is a difficult time for many. As a school district, our priority will always be the safety and security of our students, staff, and community as a whole. This is an unprecedented situation for all school districts throughout the state, and these decisions are not taken lightly. Again, I ask for patience and understanding during this time. We will post regular updates on our school website and social media accounts as available.

Sincerely,

Jack D. Lee

Superintendent Bullard ISD

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