

26 HORICON AVENUE, P.O. BOX 120 BOLTON LANDING, N.Y. 12814

March 14, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian:

We are reaching out with an update on rapidly developing information regarding the COVID-19/Corona Virus.

After reviewing all recent information from the Center for Disease Control, as well as learning that the State of New York is currently under a state of emergency, *Bolton Central School will be cancelling all classes and student activities immediately through and including Sunday, April 19th as a result of the COVID-19/Corona Virus.*

Given that this is a rapidly evolving public health issue, we, as well as the other 30 component school districts in the WSHWE BOCES, feel that this is the most proactive and prudent action available to us. This is designed to limit the potential spread of illness.

We recognize that this is an inconvenience and possibly even a hardship for our families, but our primary concern is mitigating the risk of possible community spread. The district has been and will remain in communication with our Health Department officials.

It is important to note that at this time there are no confirmed cases in our school community. We are anticipating reopening on Monday, April 20th. *The health and safety of our students, staff and our community remain in the forefront of our decision making.*

Additional information will be updated on our website on a regular basis. This may include information from the Department of Health, logistics associated with our breakfast and lunch programs, as well as any additional information pertinent to this situation.

Finally, Mr. Shippee's instructional staff have been preparing for this scenario in anticipation of an extended closure. Information regarding academic coursework will be communicated through his office and our instructional staff. Should you have any coursework specific questions, please contact Mr. Shippee via email, cshippee@boltoncsd.org. Our instructional staff will be finalizing academic procedures during Staff Development on Monday, March 16th and Tuesday, March 17th.

I would like to reassure our community that the health and safety of our students, staff and community are our highest priority and we will remain vigilant in our efforts to help prevent the spread of this illness.

Thank you for your patience during this difficult time.

Sincerely

Michael J. Graney Superintendent.