

Today Governor Abbott issued an Executive Order stating all schools in Texas are required to close beginning March 23, 2020 through April 3, 2020 in response to containing the spread of the novel coronavirus, or COVID-19. Additionally, all extracurricular activities, practices and athletic events are suspended until May 4, 2020.

We realize it presents significant difficulties to working parents. However, we are hopeful that these measures will better ensure the long-term health and safety of children, staff, and community.

Follett ISD is finalizing logistics on distance learning options and the distribution of food to address children's nutritional needs while school is out. More information and guidance will be made available on our website and Follett ISD Facebook page by Monday, March 23, 2020.

Additionally, Follett ISD asks the community to take the following reasonable precautions to prevent the spread of the illness:

- Don't shake hands
- Wash your hands regularly
- Limit movement within the community and maintain 3 to 6 ft of distance between people (at least an arm's length)
- If you are moving around in the community, don't congregate in large groups
- For those who have traveled to areas with known COVID-19 cases – both inside and outside of the country – we ask that you self-quarantine and monitor for symptoms.
- If you suspect you have [symptoms](#) of COVID-19, call your health care provider for medical advice
- Do not leave the house if you are ill, except to access medical care

This is a rapidly evolving situation. We will continue to monitor information and access conditions on a daily basis. We'll provide updates via our Follett website page and Follett ISD Facebook page.

Thank you for your support and cooperation as we ensure that all members of the community in our district stay safe and healthy.