



April 15, 2020 - 5:00 p.m.

Dear Families and Staff of Bristol, Kingsport, and Sullivan County Schools,

As of 5:00 p.m. on April 15, 2020:

In alignment with direction and the recommendation from Tennessee Governor Bill Lee, **the closure of Bristol City Schools, Kingsport City Schools, and Sullivan County Schools has been extended through the end of the 2019-20 school year.** This includes all extra-curricular and athletic activities during this period of time.

We understand that with this announcement, students and families will have many questions regarding events such as graduation and other end-of-year activities. Please be aware that we share your desire to celebrate the accomplishments of our students and are assessing all options, given the need and requirement to maintain the healthiest possible environment. All of these details will be communicated to you by your district as soon as it is possible to make such decisions.

Each school district will also remain in communication with you with details specific to your individual situation regarding continuation of instruction, operations, and nutrition plans for the remainder of the school year. Please be on the lookout for that information from your individual district and school.

These are unprecedented times. As a community, we continue to be most concerned with the health and well-being of our students, families, and staff. We miss you and wish all our families the very best of health!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Annette Tudor".

Dr. Annette Tudor, Interim Director, Bristol City Schools

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeff Moorhouse".

Dr. Jeff Moorhouse, Superintendent, Kingsport City Schools

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Cox".

Dr. David Cox, Director, Sullivan County Schools