

SCHOOL COMMUNITY UPDATE – SCHOOL CLOSURE

APRIL 17, 2020

As the proud superintendent of this incredible school district, I understand how heartbreaking the Governor's announcement that our schools will not reopen and our students will not return to their classrooms before the end of this school year due to the COVID-19 crisis. As a parent of two students, including a high school senior, I can relate to the impact these school closures have on all of us. Please know, our district is committed to providing ongoing education, resources and support to students, parents and staff.

The safety of our students, staff, and families is our first priority. Our public health authorities and state officials have made it clear that adhering to physical distancing measures is crucial to staying healthy. Please be assured that while our schools may be closed, the school year is not finished. Our District will continue to provide Grab-n-Go meals and keep essential campus operations going while ensuring compliance with physical distancing orders. Most importantly, school for our students remains in session through our Continual Learning Program until the last day of this academic year on May 22, 2020.

The District's goals for the Continual Learning Guides during this time are to provide learning activities that build appropriate grade-level skills and content knowledge, maintain a connection between students and teachers, and account for the variety of demands this unique time places on students, families and staff. Our teachers and administrators are working extremely hard to adjust lessons and utilize new delivery methods so your student(s) may continue to be engaged and excited about learning. Our teacher teams continue to be flexible, creative and understanding as they become more proficient in digital platforms and engaging students remotely.

The district will be adjusting the Continual Learning Plan for students in high school credit courses due to the extended school closure. Information on the adjusted plan will be sent out on Monday night following school board approval. We will be sending out a new date for High School Graduation Ceremony early next week.

I want to thank our school community for the remarkable way you have taken on the challenges of this moment and pulled together to support our students during this time. While we may need to remain physically apart, let's all continue to be positive and support one another as we move forward together.

We as a school community will come out of this time stronger together, Carlisle School Community,
We Got This!

