

Webutuck Central School District

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Dear Webutuck Families,

I hope this letter finds you healthy and well. It goes without saying that we are facing many challenges in all aspects of our lives; however, our health takes top priority. So, it is my hope that you and your families are doing well. I also want to send the message to our staff and to our students that I appreciate all of you making your best efforts to continue the learning process online. Obviously, teaching and learning in an online environment is very different than if we were back in our classrooms. I appreciate that our students and teachers are working on developing this new experience together.

Yesterday, in Governor Cuomo's update we were informed that he has **closed all New York State schools through Tuesday, April 14 2020, with an expected return to school date of Wednesday, April 15, 2020.** Whether there will be more updates on extended closures or not, we will have to wait and see.

Please take this letter as notice that the Webutuck Central School District will remain closed, as per Governor Cuomo's request, until April 15, 2020. **Additionally, in following our current student calendar, Webutuck Schools' online learning will be CLOSED for Spring Recess from Monday, April 6 through Monday, April 13.** Online learning will resume on Tuesday, April 14. If Governor Cuomo doesn't extend the statewide school closure further, we will plan to resume regular school in our buildings on Wednesday, April 15, 2020.

These challenging times can push people to the limits of stress. If you or someone you know is feeling overwhelmed and needs some assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to your teachers or guidance counselors for help. You can contact your principal or myself as well. We will do everything we can to connect you to the appropriate counseling supports. Please continue to visit the District website for the most up to date information regarding online learning, school closures, and/or the COVID-19 virus, as well as resources that may be helpful to you or your family during this difficult time.

Respectfully,

Ray Castellani
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