



MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT March 15, 2020-COVID-19 Update

Dear New Lenox School District 122 Community,

As you are all aware, the District will be closed beginning March 17th with students returning April 6th. The Governor and the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) have deemed these days ACT of GOD days; therefore, the District does not need to make these days up at the end-of-the year. Dr. Cucci, our Director of Curriculum, has developed additional E-Learning days and will be adding them to the website. Below is a calendar depicting each day.

Tuesday	March 17 th	Act of God/E-Learning Day 1
Wednesday	March 18 th	Act of God/E-Learning Day 2
Thursday	March 19 th	Act of God/E-Learning Day 3
Friday	March 20 th	Act of God/E-Learning Day 4
Monday	March 23 rd	Act of God/E-Learning Day 5
Tuesday	March 24 th	Act of God/E-Learning Day 6
Wednesday	March 25 th	Act of God/E-Learning Day 7
Thursday	March 26 th	Act of God/E-Learning Day 8
Friday	March 27 th	Act of God/Institute Day-No E-Learning
Monday-Friday	March 30 th -April 3 rd	Spring Break
Monday	April 6 th	Return to School

If additional days are required after this period, we will communicate additional information with an updated E-Learning plan.

For tomorrow, Monday, March 16th, please know that we anticipate many parents may choose to keep their children home. We fully understand how student attendance on Monday is counter intuitive in this situation, but we felt it was best for our families to tie up loose ends as needed. Our expectation is that parents make choices they are comfortable with during this time. We will support and do our best to accommodate all reasonable requests.

If you choose to keep your children home on Monday and need to pick up personal items from their desks/lockers, please email your classroom/homeroom teacher in the morning so they can send the items down to the office. We are asking parents to pick up items after lunch time to give our teachers and the office time to prepare. For those students who attend, students will eat lunch with their classroom teachers, instead of in the cafeteria to reduce large group situations. If your child is riding the bus, also know that LW Transportation has been using the Clorox machines every other day on buses. However, again, we anticipate that many parents will choose to drive their children.

For those students who receive free and reduced lunches, box lunches from Quest will be available for the week day of March 17th through March 26th. Lunches may be picked up at Oakview School daily at 809 N. Cedar Road from 10:30-12:00. At pick-up parents will need to provide the name of their child for federal documentation.

Finally, I have had several parents email me with questions and suggestions over the weekend. One common request was to remind parents that the point of the closure is to assist and hopefully reduce the spread of the virus and to limit large group children's activities. I am hopeful that working together we have a better chance of returning to school with limited exposure to the virus.

Again, I appreciate your partnership, especially when dealing with these situations. Thank you again for your patience. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact your building principal or my office at your convenience.

Thank you,

Dr. Peggy Manville
Superintendent