

Attention Parents & Guardians –

On Friday, March 13 President Trump officially declared a national emergency from the coronavirus pandemic. Shortly after this declaration, Governor J.B. Pritzker announced that all Illinois K-12 schools will be closed to students beginning Tuesday, March 17th through Monday, March 30th. Students will hope to report back to school beginning on Tuesday, March 31, 2020, pending further guidance from government authorities. Below is the planned schedule for the Wilmington School District from March 16 through March 30. **Please take special note of the change of plans for tomorrow, Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>.**

- ***Monday, March 16 - Students will NOT be in attendance. The planned ½ day of attendance will NOT take place. Teacher / Staff institute will be taking place. Out of district students will also NOT be in school on Monday – no transportation will be provided.***
- **Tuesday March 17 through Friday March 20 – All regular school activities will be cancelled. We anticipate for students to participate in e-learning activities. Further details will be provided.**
- **March 23rd through March 27th - Students will observe Spring Break as planned. No e-learning will take place during spring break.**
- **Monday, March 30 – We anticipate for students to have an additional e-learning day, pending finalization of details.**
- **During this time, all school-related functions, including sporting events and activities, will be canceled. All students, parents & community members will have NO access to school buildings during this time.**

As soon as more information is available regarding e-learning, it will be shared with parents and students. We will continue to communicate with parents and families throughout the next two weeks to answer questions and provide updated information about this on-going crisis. Governor Pritzker and the Illinois State Board of Education will continue to assess the situation through this two-week time period for the possibility of an extended closure, if public health risks continue past March 30. We remain committed to working closely with state and federal health / government officials and will also continue to communicate with you as this situation evolves. Thank you for your support in helping to keep our school community healthy.

Meals will be made available for both breakfast & lunch for students beginning on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Additional details will be sent out regarding pick up location and time frame. Regular breakfast offerings will be available on Monday morning.

Again - please take note that students will NOT be in attendance for a ½ day on Monday, March 16. Our school buildings will be open on Monday from 8am – 4pm for students to pick up any needed school supplies, books, medications, etc. Throughout the school closure, we highly recommend that all students and families follow the advice of government and health officials, staying at home and focusing on available e-learning opportunities. The safety and well-being of our staff and students will always be the number one priority. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

