



March 18, 2020

Dear Wauwatosa School District Families -

On Tuesday, Governor Evers announced mandates that mirrored the call of the president's Coronavirus Task Force to prohibit gatherings of more than 10 people. Governor Evers also said the school closure is "indefinite", saying he's not sure that returning on April 6th is realistic.

For the District, we will continue with our plan - monitoring the situation and taking guidance from our local, state, and national leaders and continue to update you as more information is available.

A few quick items:

School Year: With the current status of the coronavirus situation, and the Governor's extension of the school closures across the state to be "indefinite", we don't know what this will mean for finishing out the school year. We know that's hard for so many different reasons, including for our seniors. Right now, we need to all rally around staying healthy and working to slow the spread of the coronavirus. We'll share more on school year implications when we get direction and details from the Department of Public Instruction (DPI).

Online Learning: Parents of middle and high school students, please ask your child to check their district email addresses. Teachers are sending them invitations to Google Classroom so that they can participate in online learning. They must accept the invitation.

Technology Help Desk: For questions related to your child's chromebook or internet access, a Help Desk has been set up. [More info here.](#)

Spring Break Grab & Go Meals: We will now be providing the Grab & Go breakfast and lunch during Spring Break. We are finalizing logistics and will share more by the end of the week.

Social Distancing: While this is rapidly changing, here are some guidelines from the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) on social distancing while your children are not in school. Among them is a recommendation to avoid playground equipment due to them being hard surfaces that can transmit the virus and germs.

- [DPI Social Distancing Guidelines](#)

How YOU Can Help Slow the Spread: [White House Coronavirus Task Force Guidelines - 15 Days to Slow the Spread](#)

[CDC COVID-19 Webpage](#)

Travel: Public health officials are advising against **any** non-essential travel in an effort to help slow the spread of the coronavirus.

Student & Family Assistance Program: As a reminder, we offer a free resource to students, staff, and families for six free counseling sessions through Aurora Healthcare. While they are still providing this service during this time, appointments will now be virtual or online. [Learn More about how to participate in this resource.](#)

We will continue to keep you updated as more information becomes available. As we've seen, this is a rapidly evolving and changing situation. We appreciate your partnership and patience during this unprecedented time.

Sincerely,

Wauwatosa School District