

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

CASS SCHOOL DISTRICT 63

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Wednesday, March 25, 2020

Dear Cass School District 63 Families,

We hope this communication finds you and your family healthy and well. We also hope your family is able to successfully navigate through these challenging times. Your numerous positive comments about the success of our E-Learning program and the many thank yous about the provided lunch service is greatly appreciated. Our staff is working hard and we greatly appreciate the encouragement you have given your children and the support you have provided us with the successful implementation of E-Learning, especially with our earlier grades.

As Educators, while we firmly believe in the continuation of the learning process during this school closure and we strongly encourage all students to actively engage in our E-Learning program, we know we cannot mandate this for students. We are excited that we have approximately 90% of our student body actively participating in E-Learning and we have and will continue to contact the families of those few who are not participating at this time to encourage them to do so. Please note, no students will have their academic credit or grades diminished because of this school closure.

In regard to grades, Third Quarter officially ends this Friday, however, we will not be issuing Third Quarter grades. When students return to school, students will be assessed individually by teachers and we will differentiate instruction as needed to address individual students' needs. Fourth Quarter Grades are planned as scheduled at the end of this school year. In addition, the State has formally applied for a waiver to the federal Department of Education to allow school district's to not administrator the State mandated formal assessments this year. With this in mind it is very unlikely there will be State mandated testing this year, which would be the correct thing to do given the current circumstances.

Currently, the Governor has an executive order to have schools closed through Tuesday, April 7. I might be wrong, but I am going to assume the closure will be extended beyond this date. This currently is a two-day extension of the closure which we have previously communicated to you. Here is the current immediate school calendar for which we apologize in advance because it is subject to change:

Thursday, March 23	7:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.	Lunch Bus Delivery
	8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	E-Learning
	11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	Lunch Pick Up at Cass Junior High School
Friday, March 24	7:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.	Lunch Bus Delivery
	8:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.*	E-Learning
	11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	Lunch Pick Up at Cass Junior High School
	* This is a scheduled half day of student attendance for Staff Development	

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Spring Break

Monday, March 30
through
Friday, April 3

No E-Learning & No Lunch Bus Delivers

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Lunch Pick Up at Cass Junior High School

Monday, April 6

7:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

Lunch Bus Delivery

8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

E-Learning

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Lunch Pick Up at Cass Junior High School

Tuesday, April 7

7:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

Lunch Bus Delivery

8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

E-Learning

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Lunch Pick Up

Wednesday, April 8

School Back in Session – Subject to Change**

Thursday, April 9

School in Session – Subject to Change**

Friday, April 10

Local School Holiday – No School

Monday, April 13

Local School Holiday – No School

***We believe there is a possibility that the current State mandated school closure will be extended through this time and we will formally communicate to you if and when this happens.*

Next week is Spring Break and there will be no E-Learning during that time as listed. We ask that your children be ready to return to school on Wednesday, April 8. However, we will also ask all of you to plan for the possibility of an extension of our current school closure. Hope for the best and plan for the worst.

In regards to our bag lunch service that have been providing to any and all students of Cass School District 63, which is offered at no cost. Please note, the above schedules and note that during Spring Break there will be no bus delivery of lunch; only a pickup option. No lunches will be provided on local holidays Friday, April 10 and Monday, April 13.

The District Office has and will remain open during this school closure. However, due to the Governor's "Stay at Home" order, we discourage you from coming to the District of School Offices. If needed or if you have question, please call the District Office at 331/481-4000.

If your family is struggling during this time, please reach out to us and if we can help you, we will be more than glad to do so and/or recommend a community resource.

Sincerely,

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