



# River Ridge School District

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Dear Parents, Guardians, and Staff,

On Friday, March 13, 2020, Governor Tony Evers ordered a statewide closure of all K-12 schools, public and private, as part of the State's efforts to respond to and contain the spread of COVID-19 in Wisconsin. The anticipated reopening date is April 6th; however, the reopening date is subject to change pending further information. A copy of the Department of Health Services Secretary-designee Palm's order can be found here. **River Ridge Schools will be CLOSED beginning on Monday, March 16th** and remain closed until at least Monday, April 6th.

All staff will work on Monday, March 16th and Tuesday, March 17th to make sure the students have materials and understand what they will be doing for online/alternative/enrichment learning during this closure. We will begin online/alternative/enrichment instruction on Wednesday, March 18th. This instructional time will count toward our annual expected minutes. This will limit or fulfill the amount of time that may be expected to be made up.

## **River Ridge School District Schedule:**

Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>: Teacher and Staff Planning Day (Material Preparation).

Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>: Teacher and Staff Material Distribution Day. School open from 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. for collection of homebound instructional materials.

Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> - Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>: Online/Alternative/Enrichment Instruction.

Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> - Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>: Online/Alternative/Enrichment Instruction

Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>: No Online/Alternative/Enrichment Instruction – All staff report for In-service Day.

Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup> – Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>: Online/Alternative/Enrichment Instruction.

Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup> – Normal Schooling Resumes (If this changes, it will be communicated).

## **Library:**

The library will be open for check out of books on Tuesday from 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Students/parents are encouraged to checkout multiple books for reading during this extended closure.

### **Online/Alternative/Enrichment Learning:**

Principals, teachers, and staff at our school have been preparing online/alternative/ enrichment learning plans for our students. The goal of this learning is to ensure student education is continuous and ongoing outside of the classroom. It is important for your students to actively participate in these learning activities. Please note that students are not expected to be online or work on homework all day. The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has advised us of the following expectations:

Grades 6 - 12: approximately 3 hours of total learning per day

Grades 3 - 5: approximately 2 hours of total learning per day

Grades K - 2: approximately 1 hour of total learning per day

The school will be open on Tuesday, March 17 for students and parents to come in and gather materials that they may need for homebound educational instruction from 7:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Parents or students, who are unable, please contact the district office for alternative arrangements.

The District Office will be open daily from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. weekdays starting March 18<sup>th</sup> and continuing through the school closure. All activities, events, athletic practices and games are canceled from March 16<sup>th</sup> through at least April 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Meals:**

We now have the ability to provide FREE breakfast and lunch to all families with children 18 and under. We understand that you already filled out a survey with regards to breakfast and lunch, however with the new changes, we are asking you to fill out the updated survey that was sent earlier this morning. Depending on survey results, these meals may be delivered to your home or there will be a designated pick up point. This information will be provided to you once we have an accurate count from this survey. If you do not have internet access, paper forms will be available tomorrow in the district office.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher(s). As this is an unprecedented event, we will do our best to keep you informed of any new developments.

Sincerely,



Clay Koenig  
Superintendent