



Special Notice Regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Dear Students, Parents, Staff and Community Members:

Governor Whitmer and representatives from the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services announced recommendations for keeping students and staff healthy while addressing the risks associated with the Coronavirus. We have been in close contact with the Monroe County Health Department and the Michigan Department of Education.

Our immediate plan for mitigating the spread of COVID-19 in our communities while advancing student learning is based on three factors:

1. Avoiding unnecessary exposure of our staff and students to illness.
2. Working to the best of our ability to ensure the continuity of teaching and learning in Monroe County.
3. Protecting the health and well-being of our multigenerational community, especially those who are most vulnerable to illness.

With this in mind, we will enact the following measures related to events and programs beginning immediately:

- All field trips are suspended until further notice.
- All school-sponsored travel is suspended until further notice.
- All assemblies, performances and large-group gatherings in our schools are suspended until further notice.
- All community meetings, community education programming (excluding before/after school childcare, preschool, and daycare programming), rentals, and gatherings scheduled to take place within our school facilities are suspended until further notice.
- All district and county-level meetings, professional development, curriculum work and other gatherings as such, must be conducted in digital format. Smaller meetings, whenever possible, should also be conducted in this manner.
- All athletic events will continue in accordance with guidance issued by the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA). Updates will be posted at www.mhsaa.com.
- Any after-school activities that are extensions of the normal learning day (clubs, athletic practices, etc.) will continue as planned.
- Visitor and volunteer access will be limited.
- All tours of school facilities will be suspended until further notice.

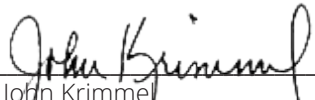


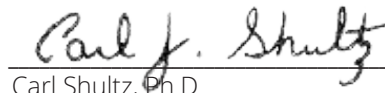
As we prepare for all possible scenarios, we are asking you to develop a plan for your family in the event schools were to close for an extended period of time. The Governor has declared a state of emergency, we are taking COVID-19 very seriously and hope that with your help, we can mitigate the spread of this virus in Monroe County. Please follow the recommendations to wash your hands, stay home when you are sick, and practice good hygiene.

Governor Whitmer said, "Community mitigation strategies are designed to be implemented at the individual, organizational, and community levels. They apply to businesses, workplaces, schools, community organizations, health care institutions, and individuals of all ages, backgrounds, and health profiles; everyone has an important role to play."

We will continue to take any/all measures to keep our children, staff, and school community safe. The situation involving this health challenge is rapidly changing and we will update you as additional guidance is received. Please continue to check your email, social media and district website for further updates.

Thank you for your attention and support regarding this important topic as safety is our number one priority.



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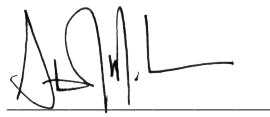

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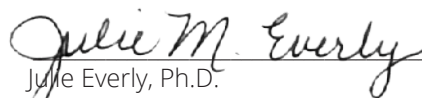

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