

Regional School Unit No. 18

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Staff, Students and Parents,

On Thursday April 2, our Governor is implementing a new Stay at Home order through the month of April. We of course will comply with this order. Over the past week, our district has implemented the majority of these procedures already. With the exception of essential personnel, our staff has been and will continue to work remotely. The Governor has also mandated that schools continue to operate and provide students with remote access to educational materials. This is new for all of us and we will continue to adjust and improve, but I am impressed with efforts I am seeing by our staff, students, parents and our community. But I am not surprised.

The following services are considered essential, and at this time will continue:

- We will continue to operate our nutrition program at all of our sites around the district for any child to have access to free food. Upon parent request we can have food delivered.
- We will continue to provide educational resources to all of our students. This includes posting our online resources, continuing the communication happening between families and the staff and if needed providing printed copies of educational materials.
- All schools will continue to have someone in the main office each day to assist parents with educational materials and to answer important questions.
- We will continue to maintain and clean our facilities to provide the safest possible environment for the essential personnel who are in our buildings.
- We will continue to provide administrative and financial services in our Central Office in order to keep the district running during this difficult time.

The changes we will be making are:

Our buildings will be closed to the public with the exception of calling ahead for scheduled needs. If students or parents need materials from the school, please contact the main office between 8:00 and noon and someone will assist you. At the high school, our track will be available for the community to walk and get exercise. You must keep at least six feet apart while on the track and there will not be any group activities allowed on our athletic fields. Staff, we ask you to refrain from entering the buildings with the exception of absolute needs to meet your responsibility of providing academic resources for your students.

Working together we can help keep the staff, families and community of Belgrade, China, Oakland, Rome and Sidney safe and healthy. As always, reach out to your building principal if you have any needs or questions. #WEARERSU18

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