



March 24, 2020

Hello Lima Families,

At the time I write this letter I have not heard anything specific from the Governor's office on extended closure. That being said, I anticipate that we will be closed beyond March 27th. I have been working with the teachers to develop a plan to continue the education of our students for the unspecified future. The following is that plan:

Elementary Grades K-6

Students or parents will be able to gather and return work packets on Fridays between the hours of 8:30-3:00. Teachers will prepare packets that students will be completing from home. Teachers will be reaching out to families to check progress and to ensure understanding of the packets. Please let me know if you are having trouble connecting with the classroom teachers.

It should be noted that these assignments are not optional, they are required for the continuation of your child's education.

JH/HS Grades 8-12

Students or parents will be able to gather and return work packets on Fridays between the hours of 8:30-3:00. Teachers will prepare packets that students will be completing from home. Teachers will be reaching out to families to check progress and to ensure understanding of the packets. **It is important to understand that these packets are not optional and that they are being graded. Students that do not complete the work will be given failing grades that could result in the student needing to repeat the course in the future or affect their ability to graduate on time.** Please let me know if you are having trouble connecting with the classroom teachers. In addition to the parent contact, teachers have "office hours" where students can ask questions. The teachers are available by email between 8:30-3:00 each day and are available by Zoom during the following time for students to ask questions.

Mondays

Mrs. Martin 8:30-9:30
Mrs. Bernard 9:30-10:30
Mr. Iverson 10:30-11:30

Tuesdays

Mr. Condie 8:30-9:30
Mrs. Mulkey 1:00-2:00

Teachers will be sending Zoom invites to the student email that will allow them to call in during the times listed above. Additionally if a student is struggling they may be asked to participate in an additional Zoom meeting during the week to help. This is new to the teachers and to the students so please have patience as we navigate these new waters.

School Lunches

Even though the school is closed, we are required to offer meal programs similar to what we had going when the school was open. The school will provide brown bag meals that include breakfast and lunch items. These meals will be available for pick up between 8:30-9:00 Monday-Friday. Parents or students should go to the back kitchen door and knock. Students who are categorized as free lunch or reduced lunch will have the meals provided at the rate they qualify for. Students who are full price, will be charged similar to what we have done throughout the year.

Athletics

MHSA has suspended spring athletics, activities, and concerts until the middle of April when they will make a determination based on recommendations from the various health organizations and governor's office. I am not optimistic about spring activities happening this year.

Library

We are going to make library books available to students. We ask that on Friday when you return the homework and pick up the new packets that you also bring your child's library books with you. Mrs. Martinell will be available for checking out new books on Friday.

I encourage you to call and ask questions. Jackie and I are here between 8:30-3:00 Monday-Friday. You can also reach me on my cell phone 406-596-0228.

Thank you and stay healthy!

B. Rayburn