

March 13, 2020

Dear Keeneyville District 20 Families and Staff Members:

Based on the rapidly evolving situation of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and recommendations from public health officials to limit public gatherings, Keeneyville District 20 is closing all school buildings effective the end of today Friday, March 13 through Sunday, April 5. In addition, all activities and events at all District 20 schools are cancelled through spring break.

Spring break will run as previously scheduled on the 2019-20 school calendar from March 30 through April 3. We are reminding all students and staff members, who may be travelling to any area listed on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Travel Advisories <u>with a Level 2 or above Travel Notice</u>, to stay home and self-quarantine for 14 days following their return.

In order to keep our Pre-K to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students engaged and provide continuity of learning during this time, please check the "<u>Continuity of Learning Activities</u>" page on our district website beginning next Monday, March 16. Students in Grades 2-8 will bring home their Chromebooks and chargers as well.

Thank you in advance for your support as we implement what is best for our students and staff during this unprecedented time. We understand this may cause challenges for some families; however, we believe this is in the best interest for our school community. Please keep in mind that the safety and wellness of our students, families, and staff remains at the forefront of our decision-making process.

We will consult with our local health officials over spring break to evaluate when it is safe for our students and staff to return to our facilities. Please expect that we will continue sending out regular updates to keep you informed of timely decisions, including posting information on our district website www.esd20.org.

Thank you,

Dr. Omar Castillo Superintendent of Schools Keeneyville Elementary School District 20