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## Windsor CUSD #1 Covid-19 School Closure Frequently Asked Questions

March 16, 2020

Dear Windsor CUSD #1 Family,

I would like to start by saying that I am truly proud of our district and our community during this unpredictable time. I have been engaged in numerous conversations with stakeholders over the last several days. The main concern during each of these conversations is the health and safety of our students, staff and community during the COVID-19 pandemic. These are uncharted waters for everyone, but I am confident that based on the strength of our members, we will end this period of uncertainty as a stronger and more cohesive community. Please see below answers to some frequently asked questions to help clarify questions you may have.

- 1. How will this closure impact administration of Spring 2020 state mandated assessments?** *The US Department of Education has communicated that it will make waivers available to change the testing window later in April and May. Thus, IAR and SAT testing will occur at a later time.*
- 2. Will students be served meals during the 2 week closure?** *Yes, meals will be served from Tuesday March 17 through Monday March 30. Breakfast and lunch will be served from 9:30-10:30 daily. Meals will be available at the following locations: Windsor Elementary School, Windsor Christian Church, Windsor Mobile Home Park and Gays Village Hall/Two-Story Outhouse (Two-Story Outhouse on March 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> only due to elections. Village Hall delivery will be on March 19-20 and 23-27).*

*\*Look for a school vehicle at these locations. Please stay in your car. A staff member will meet you to get a number of meals needed. They will be delivered to your car. **Eating on-site will not be permitted.***

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3. **What are the continued learning packets?** *Ideas from teachers that will assist families and students in learning while we are on break. These are suggestions not official assignments. Windsor staff does encourage students to work on the packets.*
4. **Will the continued learning packets be graded?** *NO, these are only for continued learning and will not be counted for a grade.*
5. **What are the timelines for return to school?** *At this time school is scheduled to reopen on Tuesday, March 31. Future decisions regarding statewide school closures will be made in consultation with public health officials.*
6. **Will return to school guidance be communicated?** *Yes, Windsor Schools will communicate return to school guidance once it has been finalized. We will text, email and call all information out to parents. Thank you for your patience.*
7. **How does the mandated closure impact Pre-K?** *Pre-K will follow the same guidance as K-12 schools.*
8. **Can behind the wheel instruction for drivers education continue during the closure?** *Due to the mandated closure, drivers education and behind the wheel will resume when school is back in session.*
9. **Will the school be available during the closure?** *No. All doors will be locked. Please call 217-459-2636 if you have questions.*
10. **School Board meeting?** *The March School Board meeting will convene as normal.*
11. **Are Athletics postponed?** *Yes, all practices and games are postponed through March 30. Athletic Directors will do the best they can to reschedule games that have been postponed. Please note that any participation in club sports during this time will disqualify your student athlete from participating in any IHSA or IESA Spring 2020 sports.*
12. **Will the school calendar be amended due to the mandatory school closure?** *We are unsure how this closure will affect the end of the school year. We anticipate more guidance on this topic in the days to come.*
13. **Will IEP meetings be conducted during the mandated closure?** *Yes, if a meeting is scheduled during the closure the school will conduct the meeting via tele or video conference. Instructions on how to comply will be given via telephone.*
14. **How are dual credit courses affected?** *Lake Land will follow the mandated closure. Students are not expected to attend any dual credit courses during the mandated closure.*

**15. How are off campus courses such as Health Occupations and CEO affected?** Both of these courses will abide by the mandated closure and resume classes once the closure has been lifted. Students should check email to stay connected with their teachers.

We encourage students to practice social distancing during this period of closure in an effort to diminish the spread of COVID19. We also encourage students to continue to follow good hygiene habits to lower their personal risk of contagion.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact 217-459-2636. Administration will be present to answer questions. As events change, we will continue to communicate to you the latest information.

Best Wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Erik Van Hovel". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end of the name.

Erik Van Hovel, Superintendent