

GREENEVIEW LOCAL SCHOOLS
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Dear Greeneview Families & Staff,

As predicted, the situation surrounding coronavirus (COVID-19) continues to change. As of this afternoon, there are five confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ohio. We have been told that this situation is fluid and things will get worse before they get better. As a district, we have been receiving regular updates from the Ohio Department of Education and Public Health officials daily.

Governor DeWine, in a press conference this afternoon, closed ALL K-12 schools, both public and private, for three weeks. This date span runs from Tuesday, March 17, 2020, through Friday, April 3, 2020. We learned of this development at the same time and we have been working diligently to pull together plans to ensure we can continue to provide students with services as we move forward.

The last day for Greeneview students will be Monday, March 16, 2020. Students will return to school on Monday, April 6, 2020. The last day for Greeneview students who attend The Greene County Learning Center, The Academy of Greene County, and the Greene County Career Center will also be Friday, March 13, 2020.

Staff will report on time on Friday, March 13th and Monday, March 16th. Students attending Greeneview facilities will operate on a 2-hour delay Friday and Monday.

Beginning Tuesday, March 17, 2020, Greeneview Schools will implement our non-traditional instruction/distance learning plan. This distance learning will look different for Elementary, Middle School, and High School students. We will work to provide resources and activities at an appropriate education and developmental level. Many of our secondary students have been completing work online for several years. We understand that early childhood students do not have the same ability to learn and submit work online. Please look for communication from your child's teacher and principal on what their educational plan will entail.

During the three-week closure, teachers will be available to respond to email, address student academic questions and serve as a resource for students and parents. Our goal with our non-traditional instruction/distance learning plan is to keep students connected to their academic studies. There is no replacement for face-to-face instruction and it is our hope that we will be permitted to return to school on the 6th of April.

Our staff has been asked to provide our students with one learning activity through Google Classroom next week so we can assess our learning management system and ease into the digital learning model. We will not assign work for students over spring break. Following spring break, staff will be asked to provide 3 days worth of learning activities to our students through Google Classroom.

This would translate to approximately two to three hours per day. The work provided for students in some courses, particularly at the secondary level (e.g. AP courses), may be of a heavier nature. We do not want to put parents in a position to have to teach children content with which they may be unfamiliar or uncomfortable. This work is designed to reinforce previous instruction, be

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supplemental to current instruction, provide meaningful test preparation, or to provide skill intervention. It will be the responsibility of the students to log in and complete these learning activities.

An email was sent to all parents with login information for Google Classroom. It also included a link to a parent survey. We ask that you please fill out this survey prior to the end of the school day on Friday, March 13th. We will make contact with parents who do not have access to devices and internet in your home so we can make plans for educational options for your child.

Buildings will be open on Tuesday for parents and families to:

- Pick up any medicines that are currently kept at school that would be needed at home for the next three weeks.
- Get paper copies of work, as needed.
- Get necessary technology, as needed.

Other important information that you need to know as we move forward:

- Report cards will be distributed when we return the week of April 6.
- Dates for the fourth quarter will be adjusted accordingly when we have more information. As of today, we are not extending the academic year.
- State testing is still unknown at this point. Gov. DeWine said today that the world would not end if schools are unable to complete testing this year. Official word will still need to come from the Ohio Department of Education. Superintendent DeMaria has said that ODE will place student safety over instructional hours.
- There will be no school activities, extra-curriculars, or athletics during this time.
- District office staff will be available during the next three weeks for any questions or concerns.

Parents and families, I know this is a very difficult time for you as you will no doubt be scrambling to arrange childcare. As I receive additional guidance from the governor or the Ohio Department of Education, I will communicate this to you. Together we will get through this. Patience, kindness and understanding will be much-needed.

Again, do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions. Thank you for your continued support in keeping our students, staff and community safe.

Sincerely,

Isaac W. Seevers
Superintendent
Greeneview Local Schools