



Ovid-Elsie Area Schools

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Dear Marauder Families:

As I am sure that you are aware, Governor Whitmer along with the Health Department determined that school closure is necessary in order to help control the spread of COVID-19. **This closure is required for all high school students.** However, the Administration and the Board of Education agreed that the closure is appropriate for all students, K-12.

Thus, the (in-person) closure will begin on Wednesday, November 18th and will remain in effect until Tuesday, December 8th. Since Wednesday, December 9th would be a remote learning day, students may return to in-person instruction on Thursday, December 10th. During this time, the Administration and the Board will work with the Health Department to determine whether or not a safe return may take place or if a longer closure may be necessary.

Please be advised that this closure is for in-person learning only and the entire District will now be 100% remote. Your teacher(s) are prepared to deliver content and instruction based on the schedules below:

- Elementary Schools - [Letter and Schedule](#)
- Middle School - [Letter and Schedule](#)
- High School - [Letter and Schedule](#)

Each building will have “Internet Labs” available for students who may need Internet access. The Media Centers will be staffed by Ovid-Elsie employees and will operate daily from 8:15 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. beginning November 19th. Lunch will also be provided to all students from 11:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at E.E. Knight Elementary School and Leonard Elementary School or to students who order lunch while at an Internet Lab. Please be advised that there will be no lunch served on Wednesday, November 25th.

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For special needs students or English Language Learners, your teachers will be reaching out to you directly to provide further information and services.

Finally, all fall and winter sports have been postponed immediately. This includes contests, practices, and tournaments until at least December 8th. We are anticipating that the Michigan High School Athletic Association ([MHSAA](#)) will release [more information](#) in the coming weeks.

Below are a few resources for your review.

I wish you the very best as we approach the holiday season. Stay healthy and we will see you soon!

Yours in education,

Dr. Ryan L. Cunningham, Superintendent, Ovid-Elsie Area Schools

Resources:

[Mask Executive Order](#); [Pause to Save Lives](#); [Safe Social Pods](#); [Social Gathering](#); and,

[State Emergency Operations Center Letter](#)

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