

Dollarway School District

March 12, 2020

*Home of the
Cardinals*



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Dear Dollarway School District Staff, Families, and Patrons:

The Arkansas Department of Health has declared that school districts in Jefferson County will dismiss effective at the end of school today. All campuses will be closed tomorrow, March 13, 2020, and will resume classes Monday, March 30, 2020. The dismissal is due to confirmed case(s) or exposure to confirmed case(s) of Coronavirus (COVID-19). The district will complete a deep cleaning of all campuses in compliance with guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Be advised that all extracurricular activities, after-school activities, and professional development activities are also canceled.

When we return on March 30, 2020, please help us take all safety precautions possible by notifying the school nurse if you have traveled out of the state during this time at the contact numbers below. *This applies to both students and staff.*

JMES: (870) 575.0723

RFMMS: (870) 727.9602

DHS: (870) 575.0722

Our Custodial Staff, Maintenance Department, and Transportation Department are charged with sanitizing our campuses and buses during the time that we are dismissed from school. We will also continue to encourage everyone to practice good habits, including:

- Washing your hands regularly, especially after using the restroom and before preparing or consuming food. Wash your hands for 20 seconds, using soap and hot water. Be sure to also wash your fingertips.
- Avoid coughing or sneezing into your hands or in the air. Always try to cough or sneeze into a tissue, and then throw the tissue away. If you don't have a tissue, cough/sneeze into your arm.
- As much as you can, avoid touching your eyes, mouth and nose.
- Practice social distancing by avoiding close contact with people who are sick.

For the latest news and developments, please visit our district website at www.dollarwayschools.org. Updates will also be shared via our district text messaging and voice mail system.

The District plans to resume normal operations on Monday, March 30, 2020. While classes will be dismissed, and offices will be closed, the essential employees listed below will need to report to their immediate supervisor's office at 8:00 a.m. Friday, March 13, 2020 for further directions.

Essential Employees:

Maintenance Department
DSD Department Leaders

Bus Drivers
Custodial Staff

Central Office Personnel

Sincerely,

Barbara J. Warren, Superintendent

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