



EAST PALESTINE CITY SCHOOLS

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Good evening East Palestine families this is Mr. Neifer, EP Superintendent. I am calling to update you on the status of our plans for the 3-week school closure. Today, students were sent home with personal supplies, materials and access to 3 assignments that should get them started on their educational work. Students will receive 7 additional assignments that will be posted on each school's website by Wednesday, March 18th. Those students without internet access can get paper copies at the school offices from 9-3 Monday through Friday or at our satellite food centers daily from 9:30-11:30.

Reminder that School will not be in session on Monday Mar 16. This will be a waiver day for Staff to report to work on their 7 additional days' worth of assignments.

Also on Monday, March 16, Nurses from Akron Children's Hospital will be available for parents to retrieve any student medications that may need to be picked up.

The plan for meal distribution is as follows:

We will provide access to breakfast bags and lunch bags for students starting Tuesday March 17-Friday April 3 at 4 locations across the district. They are - EP middle school, Centenary United Methodist Church (fellowship hall entrance), Unity Fire Station (tentative), and Negley United Methodist Church. Those sites will be available from 9:30 -11:30 for students to get a breakfast and lunch bag.

For those of you who can't get to one of those 4 sites and are in need of support with meals please contact us at (330)426 - 5310 and leave a message so that we can make arrangements for you.

For Families that are supported through our backpack program we will still provide those services and expect to be able to deliver those goods on Fridays. More information to come.

We have established a dedicated number for questions or concerns during this time of closure. Please call (330)426-5310 and leave a message. This line will be monitored daily and we will return your call as soon as possible. Our school offices will be open regular hours next week.

I want to thank everyone for their patience and support through this unprecedented crisis. Please continue to monitor trusted district websites and social media applications for updated information.

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