

# WISNER-PILGER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

This morning, Governor Pete Ricketts held a press conference with other state health officials and the Nebraska Department of Education Commissioner, Dr. Matt Blomstedt. During this conference, the Governor spoke to the preparedness for school closures. All guests, including the health officials in attendance, agreed that schools staying in session continue to provide the safest alternative. However, if at anytime a positive case is identified within our school, community, or even our Educational Service Unit #2 region, and cannot be traced back to its origin, the Governor will step in and require an immediate closure of a school for “up to 6-8 weeks”.

With this information and the support of the Governor, the Commissioner of Education, and state health officials, Wisner-Pilger Public Schools will continue to remain open until the Elkhorn Logan Valley Health Department informs us of a positive test or for any other reason it appears that our students and staff’s safety or health could be compromised. Unfortunately if we are required to close the school, the announcement and the mandated closure will need to occur immediately, meaning that day. For this reason, the school continues to have discussions regarding what that means for educating our students and providing services as we would with school in session. Additionally, it is imperative that families begin considering their contingency plans if the school should have to close for “up to 6-8 weeks”.

This continues to be a very fluid situation and we continue to try to make the best decisions, in consultation with our health department and other state officials. As always, parents have the choice to keep their child(ren) home at their discretion. If you, as a parent, choose to do so, please be sure to call your school’s front office daily so we may account for all of our children.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the school.

Partners in Education,



Chad Boyer, Superintendent