



School Dismissal - Social Distance

Schools will be dismissed Monday, March 16, 2020 through Friday, March 27, 2020.
(This dismissal may be extended beyond March 27th if necessary.)

School **dismissal** means **students will NOT report to school facilities**. During a dismissal, students will still complete school work either virtually (electronically) or in packets. By providing educational opportunities through virtual means and through packets during this dismissal, we will not have to make up the days in the summer. Teachers and other school employees will still report to school facilities as usual.

There will be no expectations for students on Monday, March 16 and Tuesday, March 17 as teachers will use these two days to prepare virtual lessons and learning packets.

On Friday, March 13, 2020 during the Governor's Press Conference where the school dismissal was announced, State Superintendent Syd Dixon stated, "We want to leave options open for local districts and charters...***let me reiterate, and clarify perhaps, this is not a space where kids are just dropped off if they don't have a place to go but it's really this continuation of services.***"

Governor Gary Herbert stated, "Let me be clear, we are closing Utah schools as a preventative measure."

We recognize that school dismissal is extremely inconvenient and potentially very problematic for many families. We understand there may be frustrating circumstances that result from this school dismissal. However, the direction we have received from the health department and from state officials is to ensure transmission of the virus is prevented as much as possible. **We have been asked to increase "social distance" as the best way to help prevent the virus from spreading.** This means, as indicated above, students will NOT report to school facilities from March 16th through March 27th. Please do NOT drop students off at schools.

Please direct specific inquiries and questions regarding special circumstances to your school principal.