



Lebanon Public Schools

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

In the rapidly changing response to the spread of COVID-19, Governor Lamont has issued an executive order that has impact for all public schools in Connecticut. The Governor has waived the 180 school day requirement for this school year and he has limited all public gatherings over 250 participants.

With our focus on the safety and wellbeing of our students, families and staff members, these are the adjustments to school schedules and activities we are making:

1. Monday, March 16 will be an EARLY CLOSING day. The afternoon will be used by teachers to finalize school assignments and supplemental school work for our students for when we close schools.
2. The Lyman production of *Little Shop of Horrors* will be held this weekend. Shows will be Friday night, 2 shows on Saturday and one show on Sunday. Tickets will be limited due to the executive order. COVID-19 most severely impacts people over 60 years old, those who have respiratory illnesses and people whose immune systems are suppressed. Please consider your own health needs when deciding to attend these productions.
3. The Baseball Pasta Fundraiser for tonight has been postponed. A reschedule date will be announced in the future.
4. All after school activities are cancelled starting Monday, March 16. An announcement will be made when they can resume.
5. All field trips are canceled through the end of April.
6. All reservations of school facilities for PTA, AAU, Lebanon Recreation, Scouts, etc. are canceled starting Monday, March 16. An announcement will be made when they can resume.

It is highly probable that we will close schools in the near future. We will not be implementing Alternative School Sessions if this were to happen. Teachers may still assign work for students to do during a closing. They may also provide supplemental work to support ongoing learning for our students. Students should complete assigned work as best as possible and are encouraged to do all supplemental work. You are encouraged to plan ahead for child care.

Depending on how long we may be closed, some or all of the days will need to be made up. April Break could be impacted depending on the time and duration of a school closing. With the waiver of the 180 day requirement, the school year will not extend beyond June 30.

Families with travel plans during April Break should monitor the CDC and DPH websites for travel advisories or restrictions. We have added links to the CDC and DPH websites to our district website.

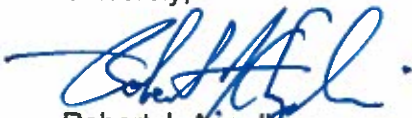
A reminder: precautions to prevent the spread of the virus remain similar to that of preventing the spread of a flu virus. Below is a list of common precautionary measures.

Precautionary Measures:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds – If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Stay home when sick
- Stay home for 24 hours after a fever breaks
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces

Monday, March 16 will be an EARLY CLOSING day. Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,



Robert J. Angel
Superintendent of Schools

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