



Evening Update

COOPERSTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COVID-19 CLOSURE INFORMATION

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you're well! We sure do miss our students, and miss seeing you all at events and contests. We are all continuing preparations for student learning amid a sea of continuing changes and clarifications and orders as the COVID-19 crisis unfolds. I want to thank you for being so supportive of your school. Here are some pieces of information I think you may find noteworthy, useful and interesting...

Feeding Children During School Closure

Our amazing cafeteria, under the direction of Melissa Rathbun, has been doing an amazing job of providing breakfasts and lunches each day for over 60 students - and growing. We must help each of our free and reduced meal program students, but also any and all students who would like to participate in the program. Way to go, Team Cafeteria! Please call if we can help!

Continuity of Learning

All teachers and support staff did an amazing job of preparing packets that carry our students for three weeks of learning activities. Now, the governor has ordered schools to produce a "continuity of learning" plan, which we will continue to do. Once our packets' effective plan has come to an end we must be prepared to continue to support our students with learning opportunities, which may look any number of ways. Our also amazing principals and our office staff are working hard with department chairs and grade level chairs to make our continuity plan happen.

Mr. Kelly and Mrs. Hogan are working to keep our CSE meetings going. If you are the parent or caregiver of a student who receives special education services or has been referred to the Committee on Special Education (CSE), you will be hearing directly, by phone call, through US Postal mail, and/or through email to learn about the spring CSE and 504 meeting schedule. These meetings will be held remotely, so we will need to hear from you how we can help you to participate fully, through phone conferencing, during the period of closure for our school.

Child Care Plan

According to our Governor's order that schools will need to play a role in child care for students' parents who are also health care workers/providers and first responders, we are faced with a special challenge to us as a closed school. This ordered provision of childcare is a new and evolving question for which we are in need of guidance, and are not yet ready to facilitate such an important provision from his recent order.



Tomorrow, March 19, I may not be in formal communication with you because I will need to devote my time to our "School Closure Plan". I wish you all well, and hope you are staying healthy. Thank you for your patience, strength, and understanding at a very tough time for everyone. We are thinking of you and all that we can and must do for our students now and in the future. Please remember to visit our website to see new information or ask questions that are on your mind. Please say hello to our students!

Sincerely,

Dr. Crankshaw
