



# Noble Public Schools

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Good Afternoon Noble Public Schools' Family:

In a teleconference today with school districts across the state, Superintendent Joy Hoffmeister, announced that the Oklahoma State Department of Education would be recommending to the State Board of Education at their meeting on Wednesday, that students and staff not return to their classrooms through the end of the 2019-2020 school year. Instead, they will be recommending that all districts implement a Continuous Learning Plan of Virtual Instruction for the remainder of the school year. In addition, there will be recommendations to exempt all students from state mandated testing for this school year. There will be many other waiver requests concerning the normal and typical operations of our schools.

Noble Public Schools began the process of implementing Virtual Instruction during the Summer of 2019. Our certified teachers began creating Digital Learning Courses, many of which have been implemented during the '19-'20 school year at the secondary level. Your administrative team began meeting before and during Spring Break to prepare for this next transformation as we were concerned this would be the direction we might be going.

With this information in mind, it is critical that we hear from our community concerning the availability of internet services in our homes as well as the availability of a home computer, laptop, IPAD, etc. We ask that you contact our office at 872-3452 or via email at [covid19@nobleps.com](mailto:covid19@nobleps.com), if either of these applies to your families. While we recognize this change will provide many significant hurdles, we must move forward together for the future of our students. We will face many challenging days ahead, but together we will overcome any dilemma faced.

Today we began feeding our students at Katherine I. Daily and Pioneer Elementary, Curtis Inge Middle Schools, as well as community delivery stops. We served more than 250 meals today. We will continue to monitor and adjust this service each day. If you have a feeding concern that we haven't addressed, please contact us. It is our goal that we provide for the nutritional needs of our students.

The safety and security of our students and staff is always our primary concern. With the potential threat that the Covid19 virus presents, we must continue to plan accordingly. If you believe that you have been exposed to the virus, please contact your family physician and the Cleveland County Health Department at 405-794-1591.

To say that we have all of the answers to provide our community the peace of mind that would reassure you, would be a disservice to this district. We are concerned about all aspects of our student health, not only academic, but social, mental and emotional as well. We would love to tell you that we knew how this process will work out, but we are learning while trying to lead Noble Public Schools. We will work diligently to keep our entire Noble Bear Community informed. We will update you after the meeting of the Oklahoma State Board of Education. Go Bears!

Respectfully,

Frank Solomon  
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