



Lebanon Public Schools

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Governor and Commissioner of Education continue to keep us updated on changes to how the state is responding to the COVID-19 health crisis. Below are updates pertinent to education.

School Year

The Governor extended school closures with the earliest possible reopening now April 20. This is the Monday after April Break. We also received clarification on when the school year might end if we were to return. Earlier "snow" days will need to be made up as will March 16 and 17, when we did not offer the distance learning program. That is 6 days we will need to make up. That brings us to Friday, June 19 as the potential last day of school.

There is "Breaking News" that the Governor stated in an interview that schools are likely to remain closed. I will keep you updated on this and what it will mean for our Alternative School Sessions.

School Communication

We are asking your assistance with school communications. Much of our communications come to you via email, either directly or through Thrill Share as a mass email. It has come to our attention that some email can be ending up in Spam or Junk folders, particularly with Hotmail accounts. Please check those folders for school communications before deleting. If you hear from other parents that they have not been getting email from the schools, please pass this information along. Also, if you change email addresses, please alert the school principals so we can update our records. We will call parents when we discover a problem with email delivery.

State Assessments

The federal government and the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) have canceled all state assessments for this school year. There will be no Smarter Balanced Assessments, PE tests, SAT, etc. used for state and federal reporting. High school students may have been counting on the state SAT date for college application purposes. The CSDE is working with the College Board on how we might be able to accommodate this. More detail will come from Lyman Memorial High School when we have it.

Access to Schools/Chromebook Repair

Schools and offices are closed to visits and will remain closed until further notice. An exception is if your child is using a district Chromebook and it needs repair. If this happens, please contact our IT Director, Jacques Dulac to arrange repair.

Jacques Dulac, Jacques.dulac@lebanonct.org or 860-642-5747

Other Phone Numbers

Main Phone Numbers

Central Office: 860-642-7795

Department of Pupil Services: 860-642-5636

Lebanon Elementary School: 860-642-7593

Lebanon Middle School: 860-642-4702

Lyman Memorial High School: 860-642-5767

School Nurses

LES: 860-642-5765

LMS: 860-642-5630

LMHS: 860-642-7673

Alternative School Sessions

With April 20 being the earliest we might reopen, please remember we will suspend the Alternative School Sessions the week of April Break, April 13-17. There will be no Alternative School Sessions on normal scheduled days off such as Good Friday and on weekends.

Reminder

Alternative School Sessions Schedule

Lyman Memorial High School – 11:55 a.m.

Lebanon Middle School – 12:10 p.m.

Lebanon Elementary School – Grades K- 4 – 1:05 p.m.

AM Pre-K – 8:35 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.; PM Pre-K – 10:45 a.m. – 1:05 p.m

Attendance taking is not a high priority during this crisis. We do care and worry about our students and families. As your family situation changes during this health crisis, if you are able, please alert your children's schools if your children will need to be absent from the Alternative School Sessions. This way the teachers and administrators will know not to expect participation that day.

Attendance Calls

LES: 860-642-5763

LMS: 860-642-5626

LMHS: 860-642-5744

Meal Program

The meal program remains popular. **ALL** students will receive free meal packages, as well as children age of 18 yrs. and younger living in the same household. If you are unable to come in for the meal pick-up, it is OK to have someone do the pick-up for you.

Pick up Location: Lyman Memorial High School

When: 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

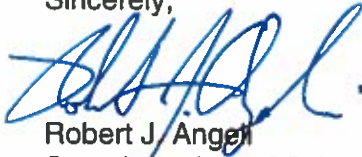
Which Meals: Monday and Wednesday meal packages will have 2 breakfasts and 2 lunches
Friday meal packages will have 1 breakfast and 1 lunch per child.

No meal pick-up on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

If there is inclement weather, we will notify you of any impact on the meal program.

I hope you are all doing well and that the weather cooperates so we can be more active outdoors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R. Angel', written over the printed name.

Robert J. Angel
Superintendent of Schools

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