

Justus-Tiawah Public School

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Dear Justus-Tiawah Family,

It is with a very heavy heart that I write this. This morning The State Board of Education voted to close public school buildings through the remainder of the school year and continue education with distance learning in an effort to safeguard the health of all Oklahomans.

We understand that this news, while not entirely unexpected, is devastating to learn but is made in the best interest of public health. Please know that we share your apprehension and anxiety. Our first concern must continue to be the health and welfare of our families, employees, and community. Beyond that, our thoughts naturally turn to loss: of instruction; of connection; of memories, yet to be made (especially for our wonderful graduating 8th graders).

We know there are many questions still yet to be addressed – delivery of instruction, grades, and graduation to name a few. We will be working on these over the next week and a half. Although distance learning is not optimal, please know that we will do everything within our power to ensure that the redesign of the rest of the school year goes as smoothly as possible and provides the resources parents, students and staff need to be successful as possible.

This COVID-19 pandemic is historical and unprecedented, but we are resilient and we will get through this together. We will continue to feed students with “Grab and Go” meals Monday through Friday between 10:30am and 12:30pm at our North Campus. As we miss our students dearly, we are working (if allowed) on a car parade of teachers along our bus routes. More information to follow. Please continue to check our website and social media sites.

Be safe, follow the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control, and State and County Health Departments, and know how much we appreciate your patience and understanding at this time.

Bless you all!

Ed Crum
Superintendent