

April 3, 2020

Dear Parents and Students,

I am sad to report that Paxton Consolidated Schools will be closed for the remainder of the school year. This closure is due to the recent announcement by Governor Ricketts, mandating that schools remain closed through May 31, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Paxton Schools will continue with remote learning through the end of the school year, TBD at the April School Board meeting. Remote learning will consist of continued online instruction in grades PK-12 with students expected to complete assignments to earn GRADES in all classes. Grades will be recorded in Powerschool for students in grades 3 through 12 and teachers will be assigning new lessons each week to determine 4th quarter and semester grades.

Parents, WE NEED YOUR HELP to make sure your students participate in continuous learning and are prepared to transition to the next grade or graduate from Paxton Schools. I cannot overemphasize the importance of continued learning during this closure. Like you, we want the best for your children. Although our school building is closed we can't discontinue learning and preparing for next year. We are all in this together and must support each other.

We are evaluating our options for Graduation and Prom and decisions will be made on these events soon. The NSAA has cancelled all activities for the remainder of the year and the use of school facilities (gym, weight room, etc) will also be closed during this time. Teachers will be able to enter the building to work in their rooms at this time or until they are instructed otherwise.

Please remind your children to practice social distancing, wash your hands, avoid touching your face and sneeze or cough into a tissue or sleeve.

A sincere thank you to the families of our district for your trust, patience, and understanding during this time. We recognize the hardships it might create, but also appreciate your commitment to the safety and well-being of all our students and employees.

Sincerely,

Del Dack, Superintendent