

EAST PALESTINE CITY SCHOOLS

200 WEST NORTH AVENUE EAST PALESTINE, OHIO 44413 Mr. Chris Neifer, Superintendent (Phone) 330 426-4191

April 3, 2020 COVID-19 Update Communication

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Good evening East Palestine families this is Mr. Neifer, EP Superintendent. I am calling to update you on where we are with plans to continue to support our students during this unprecedented school closure:

- Academic assignments for the rest of April will continue to be posted on the district website in 2
 week intervals. We will recognize our time off for spring break, which means that we will
 provide access to 17 days' worth of assignments. The first set of assignments will be posted by
 Monday, April 6th.
- I want to clarify the statement that I made on Wednesday about the 3rd nine weeks being extended to Friday April 3rd. This is a change from the March 27th date, but it is still OK for students to turn in work from the first 10 assignments on Monday April 6th. This will allow the teachers a few weeks to grade work and get report cards complete.
- I want to update you on our plan to utilize school bus routes next week to help deliver
 assignment packets to students. We will be traveling around the district on Wednesday morning
 starting at 10am with 3 busses to deliver packets for those students that need them due to a
 lack of access to technology. These routes will be posted on the district website with
 approximate times by Monday April 6th.
- The meal distribution program will have a slight adjustment this week. We will still distribute meals on Monday and Thursday, but the Thursday bags will contain 3 meals instead of 2. We will not be distributing meals the following week until Tuesday due to the holiday weekend and our spring break.
- Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to respond to the district survey that was posted on Wednesday. I encourage those of you who haven't responded to please take a minute and give us some feedback. Your feedback is vital for us to make sure that we are meeting the needs of the district to the best of our ability.
- Just a reminder that we have set up a special phone line for questions and concerns during this time. Please call (330)426-5310 and leave a detailed message. We monitor this line daily and will return your call asap.

I want to thank everyone for their patience and support. Please continue to monitor trusted district websites and social media applications for updated information.

Have a good evening, stay safe, and as always Go Bulldogs.

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