

To: Paris CUSD 4, Paris Union School District No. 95, and PHS Families and Staff
From: Mrs. Danette Young, Superintendent and Dr. Jeremy Larson, Superintendent
Subject: Statewide School Closure for Remainder of Academic Year
Date: April 17, 2020

Dear Paris Students, Staff, and Families:

Today, the Governor of Illinois announced that the remainder of the school year has been cancelled to prevent the spread of COVID-19 throughout our communities. Although we will not physically be present at school for what is left of this academic term, we will continue to operate under the Illinois State Board of Education's guidance for remote learning.

The Illinois State Board of Education and Paris schools have shared three goals throughout this state emergency:

1. Ensure all students are safe and healthy.
2. Ensure all students' nutritional needs are met.
3. Ensure all students have access to remote instruction through whatever means possible.

For the remainder of the closure, our goals will not change. The schools will continue to provide meals for the remainder of the school year, and our remote learning plans will remain the same. Our top priority is your safety, and we encourage all families to continue to practice social distancing, wash your hands regularly, and do not spend time with individuals outside your household.

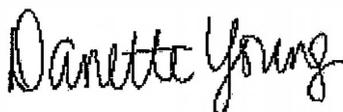
As we end the school year together through remote instruction, there are several questions we will be asked regarding end-of-the-year events. We can assure you we have given much thought regarding these matters by considering the safety of our community and understanding the importance of celebrating the accomplishments of our students. Each district and the high school will send out a separate letter in the coming week to announce to parents how we will celebrate students for graduation, dances, award ceremonies, and athletic banquets.

To outline the end-of-year calendar, we want to provide the dates now so you can begin to plan.

- May 18 – Last Day of School for Students
- May 19, 20, 21, 22, 26 – Remote Learning Planning Days for Teachers
- May 27, 28 – Teacher Institute Days
- May 19 through May 26 – Teachers will contact students who earned an "Incomplete". Students will be given these days to complete work to earn a "Pass".
- May 28 – Report cards will be sent home to all families.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us directly by phone or email. We appreciate your support and perseverance during this time.

Sincerely,



Mrs. Danette Young, Superintendent



Dr. Jeremy Larson, Superintendent