

April 22nd, 2020

Good Morning Holyoke Education Community,

I wanted to take a moment and let both students and parents know that late Monday evening Governor Polis and Colorado Department of Education Commissioner, Mrs. Anthes stated there is a new executive order expressing that all Colorado Schools are required to remain closed for the remainder of the school year for in person learning. Therefore, the Holyoke School District will continue to provide a modified on-line learning experience until May 22nd, 2020.

The Holyoke School District will continue to provide FREE lunch and breakfast with daily pickup Monday through Friday between 11:00 am and 1:00 pm at the Holyoke Elementary School entrance. We are also expanding our lunch offerings to include our rural students by utilizing our established mud route system. We will be delivering lunches to those mud route locations for interested families. Please reach out to your students' school building by Friday April 24th to ensure we have lunches at the designated drop off spots for your students. Please continue to use the [www.hcosd.org](http://www.hcosd.org) website and our district social media sites for additional information.

All school buildings, school events and school facilities will remain closed until further notice. All spring sports have been cancelled for the spring season and CHSAA has expressed that contact between coaches and student athletes are still not allowed and that an update will be given by June 1st pertaining to all summer events. Unfortunately, all Prom activities and the traditional graduation scheduled for May 17th has been canceled. The district is still working with seniors and seniors parents to still recognize seniors on May 17th in some method but will now focus our attention on our backup graduation date of June 21st, 2020. If there is guidance or restrictions lifted regarding social distancing or gatherings between today and May 22nd, 2020 our district will consider all options of also lifting restrictions for our district.

Please continue to monitor the Holyoke School District webpage ([www.hcosd.org](http://www.hcosd.org)) and the district's social media sites to gain additional information during this time. Please remind and encourage students to reach out to their teachers, their coaches, their principals, and their peers during this unprecedented time. For immediate help and support please contact Colorado Crisis Services at 1-844-493-TALK (8255) or text TALK to 38255 or visit their website at [www.ColoradoCrisisServices.org](http://www.ColoradoCrisisServices.org).

I'm extremely proud of all of the work that teachers, staff, parents and students have invested into the modified online learning experience students have been engaged in since April 1st, 2020. Please know that teachers and district staff are striving to grow and learn from the online learning provided for the past four weeks and make adjustments moving forward that benefits students.

Sincerely,

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