



EAST PALESTINE CITY SCHOOLS

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COVID-19 Update Communication

Good evening East Palestine families this is Mr. Neifer, EPCSD Superintendent.

I wanted to take a minute to provide some important information:

- First I want to thank everyone for their continued cooperation in following the health guidelines and educational plans established for the school district. I want to remind everyone that if you are keeping your child home due to a health concern it is important that you call the main office at your child's building. Please make sure that you leave a detailed message about the symptoms your child is experiencing in order to help us track possible building trends or health issues.
- Second, I want to make everyone aware that we received communication from the Ohio department of education that the USDA waiver to provide free meals to all students has been extended for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year. That means that we will continue to provide free meals to all district children, both in person and on-line all school year. There will still be a normal charge for snacks and ala carte items.
- Those families that are online and wish to take advantage of these free meals can still pick them up on Mondays from 9:30-10:30 behind the middle school. I ask if you are planning to take advantage of these meals that you fill out the google form, that can be found on the district website each week by the end of the day on Thursday so that we can plan accordingly for the next week.
- The survey for choosing the learning option for students for the upcoming 2nd 9 week grading period can be found here and on the district's website. A link has also been sent to parent emails. You ONLY need to fill out a form if you are switching your child's learning option for the second 9 weeks. Please have forms completed by the end of the day on Sunday, October 18th. Contact your child's school if you have any additional questions or concerns.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/192R0HJmK3SqfTkjbqkSaldCYSMOnGhDOKhGOfQ9Uv4/edit?gxids=7757>

- I want to encourage everyone to stay vigilant and not get complacent in our efforts to make sure that we can continue to provide our students the best educational experiences possible.

Stay safe, stay healthy, and as always GO BULLDOGS!!!

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