



# SALT CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 48

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Dear Salt Creek District 48 Families,

Today, the DuPage County Health Department announced that the county remains at a 'red substantial transmission level' for a second consecutive week. As you have probably seen on the news, DuPage County and the State of Illinois are currently experiencing a dramatic increase in COVID-19 cases and that has had an adverse impact on the metrics that are tracked by the DuPage County Health Department. The local metrics within Elmhurst, Villa Park, Oak Brook, and Oakbrook Terrace have trended in the wrong direction.

The health and safety of our students, staff, and families remains our top priority. **Therefore, all students will return to an eLearning model of instruction, for a minimum of two weeks, beginning on Monday, October 26th.** We will continue to monitor the weekly DuPage County Health Department matrix, speak with medical professionals, and should we move from the red substantial transmission level, we will resume our Hybrid AM and PM sessions.

<https://www.dupagehealth.org/>

Five-day Breakfast and Lunch Combo meal distribution for remote eLearning students will continue at Albright Middle School each Tuesday from 1:00 PM to 1:30 PM and again from 2:30 PM to 3:00 PM.

This is not an easy decision to make, but we are following the guidelines of the DuPage County Health Department. Our district COVID-19 Advisory Committee will meet on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. I will continue to provide an update to our community when I have additional information to share.

I'm very sorry that we are in this current situation. We know what a challenging time this has been for many, and sincerely thank our parents, families, students, and staff for their patience and flexibility. We remain committed to delivering an outstanding education for all of our students and please know that our teachers are working harder than ever. Their focus will continue to find ways to make a positive impact on our students.

We must lower the rates of community transmission in order to return to on-site hybrid instruction. Please be sure to follow public health measures to help reduce virus transmission, including:

- Wear a mask
- Wash your hands
- Watch your distance

Thank you for your time today.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jake Chung". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of "Jake" and "Chung" being capitalized and prominent.

Dr. Jake Chung  
Superintendent of Schools

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