

7:30PM March 12, 2020

Dear District 80 Families,

We understand that you are very concerned about the health and welfare of your children and your families; we are too! We are fortunate that there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in our school community, but it is now necessary to take further precautions to keep our students safe.

Giles and Leigh Schools will be OPEN on Friday, March 13th. Giles students will dismiss at 11:40 AM and Leigh students will dismiss at 11:50 AM. This will give our families one more day to arrange childcare and supervision. If you choose to keep your child home, please call the school office and leave a message that you are excusing your child. We will excuse them for any reason.

Starting March 16 and continuing through March 20th (last day before Spring Break), Norridge District 80 will be implementing our E-Learning Plan.

Students in grades kindergarten through third grade were sent home two days of “Emergency e-Learning materials” on Thursday, March 12th. Additional work will be sent home on Friday, March 13th. Fourth through eighth grade students will connect with their teachers and classmates through Google and its many applications. In Preschool, children will receive e-Learning materials electronically each day.

Teachers will share lessons electronically by 9:00 AM each day, and electronic work will be due by 3:00 PM unless students make alternative arrangements with their teachers. Students will need to keep up with their work; teachers will contact parents if work is not submitted each day. The teachers will be available during school hours for questions.

We are in communication with our local school districts and are working together with the District 80 Board of Education to make the decision to extend the E-Learning after Spring Break. We will communicate this decision as soon as possible.

As always, we welcome your feedback by email. Please contact us with any questions or concerns at spalmer@norridge80.net or mguzik@norridge80.net.

Sincerely,

Superintendent/Principal Stephanie Palmer

Assistant Superintendent/Principal Michele Guzik