

LEIGH COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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Leigh School Community,

Governor Pete Ricketts, the Nebraska Department of Education, and State Health officials have declared initial school closures for a period of two weeks, with the possibility of closures for 6-8 weeks. Re-evaluations are planned every 2 weeks.

Students will attend school on Wednesday, March 18th with a 12:00 dismissal to allow them time to meet with their teachers and collect necessary school items. We will continue to provide updates via the school's website (http://www.leighcommunityschools.org) and Facebook page.

Leigh Community Schools is not attempting to provide detailed instruction during the initial two-week closure. At the K-12 level, students may read their AR books, finish previously assigned work and projects, and complete any missing work. We will develop other learning options if the closing extends past two weeks. Students in grades 7-12 should take their school-issued laptop home during the closure.

Both school buildings will be closed to all outside groups and cleaned each day. Students or parents wanting to get into a building must make this request to the building administrator (Mr. Holmberg at the High School, Mrs. Petersen at the Elementary). No school-related activities are occurring while the school is closed. Similarly, the NSAA has stated activity practices are suspended until March 30th and all activity competitions until April 2nd.

The district will make available a "grab-and-go" lunch, for students, during the school closure. For a number count, families should contact the office at the Elementary building (487-3301) by 9:00 a.m each day. Parents or students may pick up lunch between 11:00-Noon, Monday-Friday at the ELEMENTARY. Breakfast for the following day may be included with the lunch.

We appreciate everyone's patience during this unprecedented event. We realize many questions are being asked without answers. Please know that we are trying to do what is best for our students, staff, and the Leigh community.

We are stressing the importance of strict social distancing during this time of closure. Encouraging students to stay home, and limit time with people from outside of their household. Keeping interactions to a bare minimum will help in disrupting the exposure periods and periods of contagiousness.

Sincerely,

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