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District 58 schools closed March 16-April 3; new schedule implemented

Dear District 58 Community:

After continuing conversations and collaboration with our local Health Department officials, the DuPage County Regional Office of Education and local school districts, and in an effort to promote social distancing, **District 58 has decided to close its schools to students starting Monday, March 16.**

At this time, we anticipate that schools will reopen following spring break on Monday, April 6. However, we will consult with local health officials over spring break to evaluate if we need to extend our closure.

No school activities will occur during these three weeks. Champions is also canceled during these three weeks. District 58 will contact families who receive meal assistance from us with the hope of continuing this service during this new schedule.

We will implement the following schedule starting Monday, March 16:

- **March 16** – No student attendance. All staff will work in-district to develop an e-learning plan.
- **March 17 – 19** – E-learning days
- **March 20** – No student or staff attendance
- **March 23** – No student attendance. Staff will meet virtually to create a weekly e-learning plan.
- **March 24 – 25** – E-learning days
- **March 26 – 27** – No student or staff attendance
- **March 30 – April 3** – Spring Break
- **Monday, April 6** – School resumes with regular schedule

Students in grades 1-8 will bring their devices (iPad or Chromebook) home today.

We realize that families are eager to receive detailed information about e-learning in District 58. We will send more information and instructions via email and the District website regarding e-learning by the evening of **Monday, March 16.** While we understand that there will be many questions from our community about what our e-learning plan will look like, we ask you to please allow the District the time to finalize our preparations and wait to receive our Monday email regarding next steps. We appreciate your patience and support at the time.

District 58 Staff: We will send staff further updates as soon as reasonably possible. Please bring your device(s) home, along with your charger. All District 58 employees will report to work on Monday to finalize emergency e-learning plans. Specific working locations for Monday will be shared with staff via email this weekend.

There are still no known COVID-19 cases in DuPage County. Many area schools are taking this measure in an effort to promote social distancing.

Thank you for your support,

Sincerely,

Dr. Kevin Russell
Superintendent of Schools