

HI-PLAINS SCHOOL DISTRICT R-23

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Hi-Plains Community:

I want to begin by thanking all of you for your support and your willingness to participate in our interview surveys via phone calls. This information will help us determine needs and help secure resources. In light of Governor Polis's executive order to suspend in-person instruction until April 17, I wanted to inform our parents of our plans regarding remote learning. I need to emphasize the expectations around this remote learning and the school work associated with it. The Department of Education and the Governor are still expecting schools to provide instruction, therefore our students are still expected to receive the instruction, produce work and complete course assessments. This will definitely look different from elementary to junior high and high school, but the expectations are still there. I would strongly encourage all parents to hold kids accountable for academic time. The creation of a daily schedule for students would be helpful by establishing routines. I would also encourage the limiting of screen time to help with encouraging academic time. I would caution you that this is not an extended vacation and we still expect our students to be ready for advancement next school year.

Hi-Plains School plan for week of March 23-27:

- Hi-Plains teachers will begin planning for remote learning on Monday, March 23.
 - We will be looking at a combination of creating packets and online resources.
 - Teachers will be available to students through possible video conferencing and for questions via email, Google platforms and other possible platforms.
- School building will be open on Tuesday, March 24 during normal business hours for families who need to pick up items from school for children, i.e. technology, academic items, medications, etc. Please notify school if assistance is needed.
- We will check out Chromebooks to elementary students who will need technology at home. All junior high and high school students already possess a school issued Chromebook.
- Beginning Tuesday, March 24, food service will provide breakfast and lunch for all Hi-Plains students and children aged 1-18 on a grab and go basis.
- Deep cleaning and disinfecting of entire building and transportation vehicles, with specific attention given to high-touch areas will continue.
- Remote learning will begin Tuesday, March 31. As we set our plans, we will be in touch so that you are all informed.

Please regularly check our school website, www.hp-patriots.com, for continued communications. I will keep the community informed as new information comes available. If you have questions or concerns, please contact me via email at mikec@hp-patriots.com.

Be Well,

Michael Clark
Superintendent

