

Perry Community School Parents, Staff, and Students:

Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds has recommended that all Iowa School Districts close for the next thirty days in an effort to keep students and staff safe and to prevent the spread of COVID-19. **Perry Schools will be closed until April 13.** More changes and recommendations could impact this date. Perry Schools will keep you posted.

During this unprecedented time, decisions are being made and precautions are being taken to respond to this challenge.

- The PCSD will extend spring break with the closure of all school facilities including PACES.
- This closure will be until **Monday April 13th**, pending any changes in the current situation as monitored by state and district officials.
- All buildings are being cleaned and disinfected.

At this time, our Perry School District is implementing and recommends the following actions:

- All events, field trips, awards programs, meetings, activities, ... are canceled/postponed until further notice.
- All athletic/activities practices and competitions/performances are canceled until April 13, 2020.
- No school sponsored travel is permitted.
- District buildings are **CLOSED** to **ALL** activities until April 13th. This date may be changed, as circumstances dictate.
- Staff, students, and families should practice social distancing and limit the size and location of group gatherings.
- Calendar changes will be released as they become available.
- **“Grab & Go” Meals** will be available at Perry High School & Perry Elementary School 10:30-12:00 PM **beginning March 23rd. One “Grab & Go” per student. The student or child (Ages 4-18) must be present.**

During this break in school, all students are encouraged to be engaged in learning activities including:

- Reading
- Journaling
- Reviewing class content
- Practicing math concepts, problem solving, and educational skills
- Staying physically active

More information on student learning will be coming from teachers.

The CDC and Iowa Department of Public Health recommend:

- Frequent hand washing using soap and water for 20 seconds.
- Avoid close contact with others who are sick.
- Cover your mouth and nose when coughing/sneezing.
- Avoid touching your eyes/nose/mouth.
- Clean high touch areas frequently.

The following numbers can be called if you have questions: **Spanish- 465-8535; English- 465-8534**

We want all students and staff to keep learning and growing. We appreciate your cooperation on this fluid situation. Go Bluejays, Go Jayettes!

Clark S. Wicks, Superintendent