PARENT ALERT
SCHOOL DISMISSAL FOR TWO WEEKS BEGINNING MARCH 16TH

Due to the COVID-19 situation and as per Governor Herbert and the Utah State Board of Education, all schools in Utah will be dismissed for two weeks beginning March 16, 2020. State leaders are determined to do their part to protect the health and safety of our communities. These decisions are not made lightly.

Per Utah Rule R277-419-12, a school dismissal (soft closure) means that students would be sent home, but facilities would be kept open and faculty and staff would be allowed to continue to work.

South Sanpete School District will implement the following action plan to continue instruction.

There will be no instruction on Monday and Tuesday, March 16th & 17th for teacher preparation. SSSD will begin providing online instruction for all students on Wednesday-Friday, March 18th - 20th, with the possibility of continuing after Spring Break. Spring Break, March 23rd-March 27th, will remain as scheduled.

Online Instruction
South Sanpete Schools are very prepared to provide online instruction due to our one-to-one efforts. Each teacher will provide information to students/parents on how to access class materials.

- Students in grades 6-12 have individual school-issued iPads that will be used in providing curriculum.
- Students in grades 3-5 will be issued an iPad and given further instruction accessing curriculum online. Times and locations of staggered iPad deployments for grades 3-5 will be sent to parents on Monday, March 16th.
- Information regarding online instruction for grades K-2 will be sent to parents.
- Students will be expected to complete all work assigned by teachers. Usage of Canvas will be monitored by teachers.

Home Internet Access
For families who do not have internet access at home, we are working with local providers to offer public access points for families (i.e. parks, school parking lots, etc.). Additional information will be provided early next week.

School Lunch
School lunch will not be provided on Monday and Tuesday, March 16th and 17th but will be served beginning Wednesday, March 18th. Additional information about when and where lunch will be served will be sent out on Monday, March 16th.

Gatherings at Schools
All school activities have been cancelled and no gatherings will be permitted on school premises.

Parent Updates
Updates to parents will be sent out via e-mail and text message using the SwiftReach system.

Thank you
We appreciate your patience with us as we work through this difficult process. We recognize the responses to COVID-19 have significantly disrupted the school year. We hope you understand these changes are meant to protect you, your extended family, and members of our community.

Questions
Please understand this situation will require extensive discussion and we will not have answers to all questions right away. However, questions can be directed to the District Office at 435-835-2261 or individual schools.