

Good Morning Powhatan School Community,

In recent weeks, we have been in communication with health officials on the status of the COVID-19 outbreak. We have instituted preventative measures throughout our facilities. This includes implementing new disinfecting measures at school and on buses. We will continue to keep you updated on this rapidly changing health situation through School Messenger at the school and division level.

Students who are ill or experiencing symptoms are encouraged to remain home until they are able to resume attendance.

Out of State School/School Division Trips canceled through April 13th

This includes all field trips, athletic trips, or co-curricular trips. We will make a decision on trips scheduled after April 13th as we receive updated health information and communicate it promptly to all involved.

Preparing Contingency Plan for Instruction

In the event that school is closed, our instructional team has been developing a plan with activities for at-home learning with the following goals in mind:

- Maintain student engagement with the content
- Review and enrich previously learned content
- Provide equitable access to materials and activities

We are continuing to work on this plan with schools and will be communicating it to the community as needed.

Spring Break - April 6-13

As we approach spring break, it is important to note that the CDC is recommending a 14 day self-quarantine for anyone who travels to a Level 3 Travel Health Notice Country. Those countries are currently China, Iran, Italy, and South Korea.

Resources

Center for Disease Control

CDC has a comprehensive website updated throughout the day with the latest news: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>. This site includes a tab for visitors to monitor travel updates.

Virginia Department of Health

The Virginia Department of Health has a comprehensive website that provides guidance and an updated look at case numbers: <http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/surveillance-and-investigation/novel-coronavirus/>.

Chesterfield District Health

The Director of the Chesterfield Health District, that includes Powhatan, Chesterfield, Colonial Heights, has provided a [video update](#) for the community on COVID-19.