

La traducción al español seguirá en breve. (The Spanish translation will follow shortly.)

Wednesday, March 18, 2020 - 4:15 p.m.

Dear Parents & Guardians,

Here are today's updates. Beginning tomorrow, we will send out less frequent updates, but we will still be sure to keep families informed. As a reminder, you can change your Skylert message settings by logging in to your Skyward Family Access account.

- 1) School Closures - **The school closures will continue indefinitely** for the duration of the public health emergency. We will provide any updates as soon as they are available.
- 2) Free Meals - **Families can be added to the free meals list at any point** by emailing lunch@durand.k12.wi.us. If you do not have access to email, please call the District Office at 672-8919. Please include children's names and grade levels (or ages for pre-schoolers). Also include if any child has food allergies and whether you would like to pick up at Caddie Woodlawn Elementary or have the meals delivered to your regular bus stop. Pick up and delivery is between 2-3 p.m., Monday through Thursday. **We are not able to make daily changes to the delivery/pick up plan.** We hope to have times narrowed down once things are in a routine.

All children under age 18 who live in the household are eligible for meals, provided at least one child in the household is enrolled in school.

For NEW requests for meals, please allow 24-48 hours to be added to the list. We will add you as quickly as we are able to. You will receive email regarding the start of your meals.

There will be minimal contact with school staff during meal deliveries and pick ups. Please avoid congregating at bus stops or Caddie Woodlawn with anyone who does not live in your household. We continue to follow social distancing guidelines.

- 3) Free WiFi Access - Ntec has set up free wifi access for our school families. You can access the wifi in the parking lot at Durand High School. The signal is strongest near the public library. Please remain in your vehicle and do not use this as an opportunity to gather with other people.
- 4) Milestone School Events - Milestone events are major student events such as prom, commencement, etc. At this point, we are still planning to hold all milestone events. Obviously, some of our more routine events will be cancelled. The dates or the details of the milestone events may change. For example, the

prom has been postponed until June 20. It will still be at the Metropolis in Eau Claire. Mr. Clouse has communicated this to the students. Commencement may be held outdoors, with livestream available for those who do not wish to attend. We will need to wait to see what type of guidelines or requirements for large events are put in place by the state and/or federal government. Decisions about milestone events will be announced as the decisions are made.

5) Questions - See our district webpage www.durand.k12.wi.us/coronavirus or email questions@durand.k12.wi.us.

Or for questions specifically related to meals, email: lunch@durand.k12.wi.us.

Thanks,

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