

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

Tuesday, March 24, 2020 - 6:45 p.m.

(NOTE: **Attachments** can be found as separate documents on our school website.)

Dear Parents & Guardians,

- 1) Governor's Order: "Safer-at-Home" - Today Wisconsin Governor Evers announced the details of his safer-at-home order. Here are some highlights that relate to schools. We have **attached** the complete copy of the governor's order to this email and will post it on our school webpage.
 - Timeline - The safer-at-home order runs through April 24. We received clarification from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction that this means that schools may possibly re-open on Monday, April 27. However, it is also possible that the school closures will be extended, even if safer-at-home is lifted. We will continue to update you as more information becomes available. Our teachers are prepared to provide online and home-based instruction for as long as necessary.
 - School Staffing - During the school closures, our teachers will be providing online and home-based instruction. We are encouraging teachers to work from home whenever possible, but the teachers will sometimes be in the school buildings *to facilitate distance learning or virtual learning*, as allowed by the governor's order. If staff have to be at school, we will be strictly following the social distancing guidelines.

Office staff will be holding limited office hours from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday in order to complete tasks essential to the functioning of our school district. If you have questions regarding school, please call ahead. To closely follow the governor's order, we will not be permitting drop-by visitors into the school buildings.

District Office: 672-8919
High School Office: 672- 8917
Elementary School Office: 672-8977
Pupil Services: 672-8921
 - *To the greatest extent possible, we will use technology to avoid meeting in person.*
 - Free Meals for Students - Free meal delivery & pick up will continue as an *"essential" service*. We will continue to update our procedures to follow state requirements and health department recommendations.

- Public or Private Gatherings Prohibited - *All public and private gatherings of any number of people that are not part of a single household or living unit are prohibited.* We know that this will be particularly challenging for teenagers. Please emphasize to your students that these requirements are in place for everyone's safety. Even small gatherings behind closed doors are not permitted. This also applies to informal, student-organized extracurricular activities.
 - Outdoor activity - *Individuals may leave their home to engage in outdoor activity, including visiting public and state parks, provided individuals comply with social distancing requirements* (including not gathering with those outside of your household). Examples of allowable *activities include: walking, biking, hiking, or running.* *Individuals may not engage in team or contact sports, such as: basketball, ultimate frisbee, soccer, or football.*
Playgrounds are closed.
- 2) Free Meals for Students - **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 (715) 672-8919.
We encourage all district families with children in school to participate.
 - 3) Free Meals during Quarantine - If your family is self-quarantined following the guidance of the health department or your medical provider, we will arrange for your children's free meals to be delivered to your home. Please contact us at the lunch email address to work out the details.
 - 4) **NEW: Free Weekend Meals** provided by Faith Lutheran and Rock Creek Churches. Pick up is at Faith Lutheran Church in Durand . See the **attached** flyer or our school website for details. Families do not need to sign up ahead of time.
 - 5) Questions - See our district webpage or email questions@durand.k12.wi.us.
Or for questions specifically related to meals, email: lunch@durand.k12.wi.us.

As a reminder, you can change your Skylert message settings by logging in to your Skyward Family Access account. For example, you might wish to opt out of "General" voicemail messages while still continuing to receive "Emergency" voicemail messages. You can update your settings at any time.

Thanks,

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