

12 March 2020

To: Glen Lake Parents
All Staff
Board of Education

Fr: J. Hoover, Superintendent

Re: Coronavirus Response Update

Dear Laker Families:

This morning the Superintendents within the TBA ISD along with the ISD Superintendent, met to discuss both local and regional plans to address the Coronavirus concerns and questions we face. I have another meeting with my colleagues tomorrow morning where we will be meeting with local health officials. I will update you again tomorrow on what I learn in that gathering.

Below are items I can share with you now as we know them :

- We will be introducing our instructional online opportunities to you via our school website, www.glenlakeschools.org, before the end of this business day. We sent you information on that effort last Friday. Once you have gone to our site, please do the following:
 - Hover over the Academics and Arts link to bring up a drop down menu
 - Hover over either Elementary or Secondary –another drop down list will appear
 - For instance, under Elementary (or Secondary), you will see a link that says “Elementary (or Secondary) Online”
 - When you click on that link it will take you to a page with all of the Elementary teachers listed
 - Select your child’s teacher and click on their name
 - That will take you to your child’s teacher’s classroom document—that document will contain links that you can click on to obtain the educational resources the teacher has provided
 - One you have clicked on one of those resource links, you will find the information and/or lesson the instructor has provided
- Food service. If in the event we needed to close school before spring break, we are putting plans in place to provide meals for those who qualify for free or reduced breakfasts and lunches. We do not have all of the answers to the challenges that may bring, yet, we will find those answers to assist our families.
- We are very sensitive to what cancellation of school would do to families that would need child care. We are talking internally and with the ISD to see what answers might be found.

- If we are required or choose to close before spring break, all of my staff, both salary and hourly employees, will be paid during the period of time we would need to be off during what would have been a regular work day. We will always take care of our staff so they can take care of their families.
- The MHSAA has decided that all Girls Regional Championship games and Boys District Championship games throughout the state, which involves our girls tonight and our boys tomorrow evening, will be played without spectators, with the following exceptions: Parents and Guardians (no siblings) and essential school administration will be allowed to be at the game. Cheer teams will not be allowed to attend. There will be no pre or post handshakes. At the end of the game, all spectators must leave immediately. As an aside, it will not be surprising if the MHSAA ultimately shuts down the state tournament for all sports.
- A letter from the ISD and the school districts that comprise TBA ISD, will be forthcoming regarding additional steps being taken in our five county region. I will have that sent to you as soon as I receive it.

Our absences due to illness has dropped from a high of 12% on March 4th, to 3% yesterday. That, though, is not the metric we are measuring our decision by. We are listening to our local health officials and experts. Being precautionary and not reactionary is our goal. I will let you know tomorrow what we learn from the health officials we are meeting with and if any determinations come from that meeting that might affect our school district.