

March 13, 2020

Dear VCS Families:

Last night, Governor Gretchen Whitmer ordered the closing of all K-12 school buildings to students starting Monday, March 16 until Monday, April 13 (the week we return from our scheduled spring break) in order to slow the spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Michigan.

VCS has been proactive in its planning regarding the potential closure of schools due to COVID-19. Our goal is to provide the best possible education to ALL of our students during the three week shutdown. With that being said, we know there will be many challenges ahead as we enter this unprecedented time of educating our students remotely. I appreciate your patience as we work together to formulate learning plans for your children.

Our hope is to have all plans solidified early next week. You can expect communications about the following as they are finalized.

- At-home learning for your children.
- Food service plans for all children 18 years and younger.
- Calendar and activity changes based on recommendations from state and local health officials.
- Additional learning supports for eligible students.

As we enter our new "normal" next week, we appreciate your patience and willingness to work collaboratively with us in order to maximize the education of your children. We know there are many unknowns that we will encounter, however, if we work together, we can achieve the best possible outcomes for our students.

We truly appreciate our VCS families, and thank you for supporting the students and staff of Vicksburg Schools!

Please do not hesitate to call my office at 269-321-1003 if you have any questions.

Sincerely

Kéevin J. O'Neill Superintendent

