



March 15th, 2020

Hours ago Governor Bullock made a decision to close all Montana schools through March 27th. As a district, we have been preparing for this scenario and feel confident we will be able continue to educate our students during this challenging time. Tomorrow, you will be receiving a message from your building level principal with the details for continuing your student's education.

I encourage all of you to follow the recommendations of the Governor and greater healthcare community in an effort to slow the spread of this virus. Although this may be a significant inconvenience, it is also an opportunity to come together as a community to protect each other.

Public Guidance Regarding Social Distancing The Governor, in consultation with public health authorities, strongly recommends the following guidance:

- Limiting all gatherings, especially those of more than 50 people.
- Organizers should refrain from planning new gatherings and cancel existing gatherings. Individuals should refrain from attending.
- Persons age 60 or older should not participate in any gatherings, especially those gatherings of more than 20 people.
- Persons who are immunocompromised or with chronic health conditions should not participate in any gatherings, especially those over 20 people.
- Parents should avoid, if possible, placing children for childcare with grandparents, family members, friends, or providers over the age of 60 or immunocompromised persons.

Thanks

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