



Subject: District 66 school closures extend through end of school year

Dear District 66 Families and Staff,

As several media outlets have reported, Governor J.B. Pritzker is expected to announce that on-site instruction for public schools will be suspended for the remainder of the academic year. This means that districts will continue remote learning until the school year concludes. While this is disappointing news, District 66 recognizes that the health and wellness of our students, staff, and families are the most important priorities during this unprecedented time.

We anticipated this development and have been working behind the scenes to extend our Remote Learning for students. District 66 remains committed to providing a quality remote learning experience. While the buildings are closed, learning will not stop.

Principals will send additional communication next week (after further guidance is provided by the Illinois State Board of Education) that will inform staff and parents of next steps for the remainder of the academic year. We have been brainstorming and will soon be sharing alternate plans for our many cherished events, including graduation.

During the extended closure District 66 will continue to provide sack lunches to students in need. If you need food assistance, please contact Diana Goldstein at dgoldstein@ccsd66.org.

On a final note, we would like to thank all of you for your support and hard work over the past several weeks. The suspension of on-site instruction causes a great deal of stress for all involved and the District is committed to assisting anyone that needs help. Please do not hesitate to reach out to a member of our team if we can be of any assistance. We are all in this together and we will get through this together!

Sincerely,
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Interim Superintendents