

DAILY UPDATE

OASD FAMILY UPDATES FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 19

We will share updates with OASD families every weekday morning and continue until school resumes. These updates may be short or they may be long, depending on what new information is available that day. All further updates will be posted daily before 9 a.m. at www.oasd.org/Emergency.

Important Dates

Important Information from Governor Tony Evers

On Tuesday, March 17, Governor Tony Evers mandated in a statement that all schools in Wisconsin will remain closed for the full duration of the COVID-19 public health emergency. [The full statement is available by clicking this link.](#)

- **March 18-20:** Online Virtual Learning for all OASD students
- **Spring Break** - March 21-29: No virtual online learning - students and staff off school
- **March 30-Until Further Notice:** Online Virtual Learning continues for all OASD students

New Developments

Free and Reduced Food Service Updates and Future Food Pick-up Dates

The OASD has established a plan to provide meals for all students who are in need and we have alerted food pantries to increased community need. If this is a worry for you, please contact your school social worker so we can help you access district and/or community resources. **If any community member or business would like to donate, please contact any of the OASD social workers listed below.**

Families that qualify for free or reduced lunch can pick up a full week of breakfast and lunch “Grab and Go” meals at Oconomowoc High School East Campus. Pick up dates and times are as follows:

- **Sunday, March 29: 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.**
- **Monday, March 30: 8:00-10:00 a.m. or 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.**

This program will continue as long as the OASD is closed and will allow families an easy food pick-up plan. District social workers will be on hand to help families through this process. If you do not have a vehicle, please contact your school social worker for delivery arrangements.

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Health Updates

What Does “Flatten the Curve” Really Mean?

Dr. Alexandra Hall, a physician and biology instructor at UW-Stout explains what “flatten the curve” means and defines social distancing in an easy-to-understand video that’s appropriate for kids and adults. [Click this link to access her video.](#)

Reporting Attendance and Illness

If your child is unable to participate in virtual learning because of illness, please call your school attendance line. When you leave a message on the attendance line, please include:

- The date you are calling
- Child’s symptoms
- Whether your child has received a doctor’s diagnosis for the illness
- Your name and telephone number

If your child is not able to participate in virtual learning days because of a reason that is not illness, please also call your school attendance line. When you leave a message on the attendance line, please include:

- The date you are calling
- The reason your child cannot participate
- Your name and telephone number

Current CDC Social Distancing Recommendations

Our school district closure does help prevent the transmission of COVID-19, but it is important to follow the CDC recommendations in your daily routines and activities. These are the newest CDC recommendations:

- Avoid social gatherings or groups of more than 10 people
- Use drive-thru, pickup or delivery options for dining
- Avoid discretionary travel

These advisories are ever-changing right now. Additional information can be found through these sources:

- <https://www.cdc.gov/>
- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/prevention.html>
- [15 Days to Slow the Spread: the President’s Coronavirus guidelines for America](#)

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Updates from the State of Wisconsin

The OASD is in regular contact with the State, Department of Public Instruction, and county health departments. If you have concerns about exposure to COVID-19, the State recommends that you contact your health care provider and/or county health department by phone. You can visit these links for more information on contacting your county health department:

- [Waukesha County Public Health](#)
- [Jefferson County Health Department](#)
- [Dodge County Human Services and Health Department](#)

Virtual Learning Updates

We are asking that you reinforce with your children that this is not a vacation; rather, it is school in an alternative setting. Teachers will communicate learning objectives and provide instructional materials and assignments, which will require completion. Teachers will also be assessing student learning.

We understand that transitioning from the classroom to virtual learning will require computing devices for all of our students. Schools are currently working to identify student needs regarding technology use. If you are in this situation, we are asking you to contact the OASD Technology HelpDesk (262-560-2126 or helpdesk@oasd.org)

Events & Athletics Updates

Beginning Saturday, March 14, all District activities and events in our school buildings & the OAC have been cancelled until further notice. The WIAA has suspended the high school Spring sports season during the statewide closure. Teams cannot practice, compete, or meet off-campus. Oconomowoc High School hopes to start the spring season as soon as school reopens.

Care for Yourself

The OASD will continue to monitor the status of the Coronavirus and will communicate our plans moving forward. Again, these are challenging times, but we will get through this together. We have an amazing team across this district that is prepared to provide quality continuity of instruction and support services to our students, and a community that I know will pull together to support one another and our kids.

Roger J. Rindo, Ed.D.
Superintendent

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