



Administrative Office

SUMTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Sumter School District Parents and Legal Guardians,

Per order of the Governor, all schools in Sumter School District will be closed due to the coronavirus for two weeks beginning Monday, March 16 through March 31, 2020. All school activities are suspended.

During this time, teachers will offer an alternative pathway to learning, which is online instruction beginning Monday, March 16. Parents of students in grades first through twelve who do not have access to an electronic device may retrieve a Chromebook from their school on Monday, March 16 from 3-5 PM; Tuesday, March 17 from 8-10 AM, 12-2 PM, and 3-5 PM; and Wednesday, March 18 from 8-10 AM and 12-2 PM. Parents of prekindergarten and kindergarten students may retrieve educational packets of information during these times as well. Although online instruction begins Monday, students who do not have immediate access to a device will not be penalized. If a family does not have access to WIFI at home, they may access WIFI in the parking lots of the schools to download and submit assignments.

Sumter School District will continue to provide students with a meal during the district's two-week closure. Through a snatch-a-snack process, breakfast and lunch will be distributed Monday, March 16 through Friday, March 20 in the bus pick-up area at each school with breakfast available from 7 to 9 a.m. and lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Students must be present at the time of pick up as no food will be consumed on site. Information regarding the distribution of food the following week will be communicated.

If families experience difficulties regarding the ability to retrieve a device or a meal, please contact your school's principal.

Please check our website at sumterschools.net and our Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram pages for further updates.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience as we continue to work together to ensure continuity in the educational process of our children as well as the safety, health, and well-being of our students, staff, and families.

For the Children,

Dr. Penelope E. Martin-Knox
Superintendent

Vision - Sumter School District will educate all students to embrace diversity, act responsibly, and contribute positively in a competitive, global society.

Mission - The mission of Sumter School District is to equip students to be responsible, successful, and productive citizens in a global society.

Sumter School District is an equal opportunity employer.