



Sanger Independent School District

601 Elm St., Sanger, Texas 76266

Sanger ISD Will Remain Closed from March 16 - 20, 2020

Dear Sanger ISD families,

Our administration team has been monitoring the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) with a single-minded focus on the health and well-being of our students, families, staff, and community. With the unprecedented and rapidly-changing circumstances occurring across the country, **we have decided to close school for March 16-20.**

Sanger ISD, along with most neighboring school districts, will remain closed Monday, March 16 through Friday, March 20. Prior to reopening, we will assess the current situation and provide updates to everyone in the district. We have made this decision out of an abundance of caution after consulting with area health officials and area school superintendents. Although this decision was not mandated by local or state agencies, we believe this was the best course of action to minimize health risks to our community. By closing school, we hope to help flatten the curve of the pandemic and hopefully increase and allow more social distancing. We understand this decision will directly impact students, staff, parents and our community and we thank you for your continued support.

During this school closure, all competitions, including school related and community based, that been scheduled within the district during this timeframe should be considered postponed and rescheduled for a later date.

Sanger ISD is researching distance-learning options if we are closed for an extended period of time.

Our administration team will continue to communicate with local and state agencies, and we will update families during this extended break.

We are urging students, staff and families to stay calm and follow all recommended guidelines to stay healthy.

Please see the attached memo below from Judge Eads pertaining to school closings.

Thank you for your support during these unprecedented times.

Dr. Tommy Hunter
Superintendent
Sanger ISD



Andy Eads Denton County Judge

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Following is a quote from Denton County Judge Andy Eads.

Denton County is in support of schools adopting social distancing strategies. Pausing classroom teaching is an effective way to manage local transmission in communities. Delaying classroom instruction can allow students and families time to access healthcare if they are symptomatic. If students, families, or faculty members are sick, delaying school allows people time to self-monitor for symptoms, going to the doctor if sick, quarantining and isolating as necessary. These interventions help the community minimize the speed and scale of COVID-19 outbreak at the local level in Denton County. The science of COVID-19 infection mitigation strategies shows minimizing morbidity and associated mortality, avoiding an epidemic peak that overwhelms health-care services, and flattening the epidemic curve to wait for vaccine development and manufacture for antiviral drug therapies is effective.

The overall goal of social distancing is to minimize the exposure and transmission of COVID-19 in the community.