



ZION LUTHERAN SCHOOL
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CORONA VIRUS PANDEMIC-SCHOOL CANCELATION

In response to the ongoing COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic and by order of Governor Pritzker, Zion Lutheran School will be closed starting Tuesday, March 17th until Monday, March 30th.

Days that we are not in session will be made up as e-Learning days. Decisions about how we operate moving forward will be made on a week-to-week basis based on the best information and recommendations we receive at the time. We will continue to communicate with families as useful information becomes available. We are confident that our e-Learning plan will enable students to continue the learning process in a meaningful way while prioritizing our student's health and wellbeing.

E-LEARNING INSTRUCTIONS FOR FAMILIES AND STUDENTS

Families will receive an email by 9:00 a.m. each morning from their classroom teacher(s) with information about the assignments for the day. Each day will include at a minimum meaningful work in both reading and math. For students in all grade levels, there is a common set of expectations:

- We understand that every student and family will be in a different situation with differing levels of access to connectivity, schedules, and parental support.
- We will make computers, printers and the internet available to students to use if they do not have access at home or are experiencing technical difficulties. All you have to do is call the school office at 815-568-5156 to reserve a time and your child will be assigned a room they can work in. Each room will be thoroughly cleaned after each student leaves it prior to being used by the next student.
- We have instructed our staff to make accommodations as needed to ensure that all students are able to successfully engage in learning.
- Students will have 5 days *from the end* of the e-learning period to complete the assigned activities.
- These days will count as attendance days, and will not need to be made up at the end of the year. Student attendance will be determined based upon satisfactory completion of assignments and on-line responses which are time stamped.
- Staff members will communicate with students/families regarding their schedules and preferred communication methods and availability each day.

FREE LUNCH AND TECHNOLOGY ACCESS

To ensure that all students have the nutrition they need to successfully navigate the e-Learning environment, **we will be making available a lunch for students who are eligible for free or reduced lunches**. Lunch will be provided by our food service staff and available from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to eat in the gymnasium. We ask that you email or call the school office by 9 a.m. at office @zionschool.net or 815-568-5156 to give us a count of who will be eating each day. If



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these hours are unworkable for you, please contact the school office to have other arrangements made.

The school office will remain open with limited staff from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Otherwise, email is the best method to contact specific staff members.

Thank you again for your flexibility during this unprecedented time. If you have immediate questions regarding your child's participation in e-Learning, please contact your child's teacher(s).