COVID 19 Public Announcement – March 13th

Under declaration of the State Health Department, San Juan School District will be implementing precautionary steps to limit exposure of students and staff to the COVID-19 virus. (Coronavirus) These steps are precautionary in nature and intended to keep students and staff safe from possible transmission of the COVID 19 virus.

- SJSD will transition all students from a school bound educational setting to a home learning experience for two weeks starting on March 16th and ending on March 27th.
- Teachers and staff will utilize Monday and Tuesday, March 16th & 17th to prepare educational resources. Starting on Wednesday, March 18th home based educational materials will be provided for students. Parents and students should work closely with their child’s school to help facilitate a successful process of materials going from school to home, and home to school. Schools will be working closely with parents to facilitate this process.
- Breakfast and lunch “Grab and Go” type meals will be available to all children 18 years of age and younger starting on Tuesday, March 17th. Please check with your school for instructions of how to participate.
- In addition, all extracurricular events and practices will be cancelled or postponed starting Monday, March 16 and extending through Friday March 27th.
  - These include:
    - Baseball/Softball Games
    - Dances
    - Track & Field Events
    - Golf Events
    - After School Activities
    - Quiz Bowl
    - Field Trips
    - ETC.
- Community and parent volunteers will be asked to suspend their visits and school support
- Visitors will be asked to stay in the office area and not go beyond the office.
- At the local school level, extra precautions will be taken to sanitize and disinfect classrooms, schools, and buses.
- We encourage parents to read parent resource handouts to learn more implementing effective home precautions.

I apologize for the inevitable negative consequences of these actions. I hope individuals and the community at large will recognize our priority is student and staff safety and these efforts are intended to keep students and staff safe. I will continue to monitor and adjust to the fluid situation as it evolves and strive to keep parents, students, staff, and stakeholders informed via the district website and other local school methods of communication as changes occur.

Sincerely,

Ron Nielson
Superintendent of Schools