



LINDEN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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Dear Families,

Today, Governor Whitmer issued a "[Stay Home, Stay Safe](#)" executive order, that goes into effect at 12:01 am on March 24, 2020, and continues through April 13, 2020. The purpose of this order is to protect our communities and mitigate the further spread of COVID-19. The "Stay Home, Stay Safe" order extends our current school shutdown through April 13, 2020.

Linden Community Schools continues to monitor the everchanging landscape and will continue with the following updated plans:

- Linden school buildings and facilities will be closed from March 16-April 13, 2020, per the Governor's executive orders.
- All Linden Community School events and activities have been suspended until further notice.
- Our teachers will continue to offer a learning experience to keep LCS students engaged in their learning. This learning experience may take on many forms such as emails, videos, Google Classroom, virtual classroom meetings, and etc. There will be no official grading through April 13, 2020. We encourage all families to use this time to help support the continued learning process for all of our students.
- Continue to monitor your email for ongoing communications (district level, building level, and classroom level).
- Continue to monitor the [LCS website](#) and [District Facebook page](#) for continued communications.
- We will have essential staff identified and on-site to continue the necessary operations of the district. This includes selected maintenance and operations staff, a limited custodial staff, and limited central administration staff.
- Linden Community Schools will continue their lunch delivery program through Friday, March 23, 2020. During our scheduled Spring Break, March 28 - April 5, we will suspend the lunch delivery program. Beginning on April 6 through April 10, the lunch delivery program will be reactivated. Look for Linden School Buses at the following locations from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm.
 - Linden Elementary School, 400 S. Bridge Street, Linden, MI 48451
 - Tyrone Woods, 8318 Hogan Rd, Fenton, MI 48430
 - Pine Ridge, 9348 Silver Lake Rd, Linden, MI 48451
- Those with special dietary needs and/or food allergies, or if transportation is an issue, please call the Linden Community Schools Food Service Department at 810-591-0435.

It is important for all of us to do our part to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19. The best prevention for viruses, such as influenza, the common cold, or COVID-19 is:

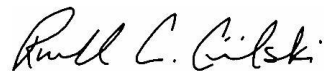
- Practice social distancing. Stay at least 6 feet away from others when in a public setting.
- Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for 20 seconds. If not available, use hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or upper sleeve when coughing or sneezing.
- Avoid contact with people who are sick.
- If you are sick, stay home, and avoid contact with others.
- If you think you have symptoms of COVID-19, call your health care provider. If you do not have a health care provider, call the nearest hospital.

For information related to COVID-19:

- State of Michigan (Coronavirus Disease 2019)...<https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus>
- Michigan Department of Health and Human Services...https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71550_5104_97675---,00.html
- Genesee County Health Department...<https://qchd.us/>

Linden Community Schools appreciates the support and patience of everyone. These global, national, and local events have created situations that are uncertain and unprecedented. I have no doubt that as a collective community Linden will persevere. I will continue to provide you with information as it becomes available.

Sincerely,



Russell Ciesielski, Superintendent