



March 13, 2020

Dear FSHISD Parents,

The safety and security of our students and staff is a priority at Fort Sam Houston ISD. Based on the continued spread of COVID-19 and the San Antonio mayor's prohibition of gatherings of 500 or more people, all FSHISD campuses, like other area school districts, will be closed March 16 – 20, 2020. All school events and practices will also be canceled.

This was not an easy decision to make, and we know this poses a hardship and inconvenience for many families. However, we are hoping this will help slow the spread of COVID-19 and keep our community safe. We will work with the TEA regarding whether the canceled days will need to be made up.

We will also continue our conversations with our local health authorities to make the best decisions for our students, parents, and staff. Please continue to discuss prevention measures with your child.

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough or sneeze.

We will continue to keep you informed and let you know of any new developments through email notifications, social media and our website.

Sincerely,

Gary Bates, Ph.D
Superintendent of Schools