



Gateway School District

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Gateway School District places the health, safety and welfare of students and families at the forefront of every decision. With that said, the district is continuing to monitor events surrounding the COVID-19 Coronavirus. Recognizing that local Universities and Colleges have closed face-to-face classes and that the district continues to receive updates from the CDC, (Center for Disease Control) and Allegheny County Health Department, we want to provide an update regarding the District's plan around the COVID-19.

Below is a summary of the steps Gateway School District is taking in the event of a possible school or district closing.

Gateway School District has been approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education for use of **Flexible Instructional Days**, (FID). A Flexible Instructional day, (FID) is a tool available to public school entities to be used as an alternate approach to delivering instruction if a circumstance arises that prevents instruction in a customary manner.

In the event of a school or district closure, the FID's would be instituted as listed below.

1. **Gateway High School** - Grades 9-12, students will receive lessons via (Google Classroom). Teachers will post a daily, normal (day-of-week) lesson.
* Gateway High School campus will be closed to students, parents/guardians. ***In the event*** of a school or district closure, all extracurricular activities and athletic events will be postponed until further notice.
2. **Gateway Middle School** - Grades 7-8, students will receive lessons via (Google Classroom). Teachers will post a daily, normal (day-of-week) lesson.
*Gateway Middle School campus will be closed to students, parents/guardians. ***In the event*** of a school or district closure, all

extracurricular activities and athletic events will be postponed until further notice.

3. **Moss Side Middle School** - Grades 5-6, students will receive lessons via (Google Classroom). Student ipad distribution will occur on Friday, March 13, 2020. Please review the letter from Dr. Eric Knorr that will be sent home on Thursday, March 12, 2020. Further information will be relayed if (FID's) are enacted. ***In the event*** of a school or district closure, Moss Side Middle School will be closed to students, parents/guardians.

4. **Cleveland Steward, Evergreen, Ramsey & University Park** - Grades K-4, students will receive grade level curriculum course assignments that will be delivered home with children beginning on March 16, 2020. ***In the event*** of a school or district closure, all K-4 Gateway School District Elementary School campuses will be closed to students, parents/guardians.

Continued Preventative Measures:

- Individuals who have traveled from Level 3 countries, Including China, Iran, Italy, and South Korea, within the last 14 days are asked to **not enter any school facilities**. Signs have been posted on the entrances advising individuals who meet this criteria to not enter.
- We encourage our students, staff, and families to be mindful of key preventative measures. The CDC offers tips on its website. That can be useful in avoiding the spread of COVID-19 and other illnesses.
- Facilities and staff will continue to use approved products to clean and disinfect surfaces of any and all potential viruses, including the Coronavirus.
- Please remember that if your student is sick, they should not be at school, regardless of their symptoms. If your child is exhibiting symptoms of any illness at school, they will be checked by the school nurse and may be sent home.

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