



## **LEBANON COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION TO PROACTIVELY INSTITUTE ELEARNING**

All schools in the Lebanon Community School Corporation will close at 6 p.m. On Thursday, March 12. We will remain closed to students on Friday, March 13. Beginning Monday, March 16 and continuing through Friday, March 27, the district will utilize eLearning days. We will be closed for spring break March 30-April 3, and we anticipate returning to standard operations on Monday, April 6.

All schools are operating on a normal schedule today and will dismiss at the end of the day at their regularly scheduled time. Students should take home any belongings they may need over the next three weeks, as they will not have access to the building. Parents should plan to pick up student medication, as well as technology device and other belongings, if needed, on Friday, March 13 during school hours.

In addition to school, all practices, events, and use of school facilities are canceled. Please know that this decision was not taken lightly and is not in response to any confirmed COVID-19 cases. At this time, there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in our schools. However, according to The Centers for Disease Control, proactively closing schools is one of the most effective non-pharmaceutical strategies to slow the spread of respiratory illness. The Boone County Health Department has validated this approach. During this time, we advocate that all students, staff, and families practice social distancing, staying home as much as possible and avoiding large groups of people.

We know some of our students rely on LCSC Food Services for meals. Students who receive free and reduced meals may pick up single meal kits tomorrow, Friday, March 13 at Hattie B. Stokes Elementary. Breakfast will be available from 8-9:30 a.m., and lunch will be available from 11-1:30 p.m. Information about future pickups will be forthcoming.

We know that there are many additional questions. We will provide a comprehensive guide, including information about eLearning expectations, food services, technology support, and more on Friday, March 13 at noon. This guide will be sent through our mass notification system, as well as posted on our website.

We will be consistently updating our website at [www.leb.k12.in.us/covid19](http://www.leb.k12.in.us/covid19), as well as our social media channels, as we learn more information.