

# LANE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 71

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Lowell School District Families,

Earlier this evening the Governor issued an executive order that extended the current school closure in response to the COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) outbreak. Lowell schools will remain closed to students until April 28, unless extended or the closure is lifted by order of the Governor.

This news, while surprising, is what we have been preparing for since last week's initial closure. District-level teams are working to assess the overall impact of this extended closure. In the coming days Lowell School District will be sharing information regarding additional supports, and learning resources that will be available.

While we recognize that all of the implications of this extended closure are not yet identified, and that this uncertainty can be overwhelming, we do know that we are in this together as a community.

Please be aware, in an effort to prepare options for supplemental learning activities, the district will be contacting families to determine things such as access to internet and devices.

This new information does not change our plan to provide consistent access to meal services for the remainder of this week. We will continue to provide to-go lunches from 11 am – 1 pm at Lundy, and will soon provide breakfast and lunch in different areas throughout the district. Additional information, as it becomes available, will continue to be posted on our website at: <http://www.lowell.k12.or.us>.

While our students are away from school, please help them understand the importance of this national health emergency by encouraging social distancing, good hand hygiene, avoiding people who are sick, and covering their coughs and sneezes. Gatherings of more than 10 people are not recommended by the U.S. government at this time.

Lowell School District is a resourceful community. The offers of support from organizations and individuals has been inspiring. Together is how we work, and together is how we will make it through this new update and extended closure.

Let's stick together,

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