

# SCHOOL TOWN OF HIGHLAND

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March 13, 2020

Dear School Town of Highland Families,

Out of an abundance of caution and utilizing preemptive measures due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19), in collaboration with state and local authorities, the School Town of Highland will be closed starting Monday, March 16, 2020 through Friday, April 10, 2020.

After closely monitoring the situation, consulting with medical experts, and giving careful consideration to what is best for our students, staff, and the community we serve, the determination has been made to close all schools effective Monday, March 16, 2020.

Contingency plans are being put in place to ensure that learning experiences will be available for our students beginning the week of March 30, 2020. You will receive specific information regarding e-learning days from your child's principal on Wednesday, March 18.

You can find important updates starting next week by visiting the School Town of Highland's website: <https://www.highland.k12.in.us>.

Although we know this may cause challenges for our families, it is essential for us to prioritize the health and safety of our students, staff and community. Our school district wants to support our community throughout this quickly evolving health emergency.

This measure to close schools is being implemented to slow the spread of the virus by social isolation and distancing. For this reason, it is encouraged that staff and students not go out into public spaces or large gatherings during the closure time.

Our district will remain in close collaboration with federal, state, and local authorities during this closure. More information about COVID-19 is available at

<https://www.in.gov/isdh/28470.htm> or [www.cdc.gov/covid-19](http://www.cdc.gov/covid-19).

Sincerely,



Brian Smith, Superintendent

NOTE REGARDING KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION: Kindergarten registration was scheduled for next week. It is being postponed until the week of April 20, 2020. More information to follow.