

Dear NESC Parents and Community,

Northeast School Corporation continues to closely monitor reports from the Centers For Disease Control and state and local health departments regarding the evolving Coronavirus pandemic.

Following a recommendation from the Indiana Department of Education, NESC is working on an educational contingency plan in the event that a long term school closure becomes necessary. *Currently, Sullivan County and the surrounding areas have **no confirmed cases of COVID-19.***

All Sullivan County schools are working with the local health department to monitor the situation. NESC will determine the need for school closure based on the recommendations of the local and state health department, in conjunction with the school nurse and area administrators.

If an extended closure becomes necessary, NESC plans to use eLearning to continue the educational process unless otherwise directed by the IDOE. We are asking parents to begin making preparations in the event of an extended school closure. Please begin planning alternate childcare and eLearning arrangements. **If your child does not have internet access please notify the school to make arrangements in advance.**

At this time, Northeast School Corporation will continue to operate according to our regular schedule for school and extra-curricular activities. The schedule is subject to change if needed. If a decision is made to cancel activities or close schools, NESC will notify the public via school messenger, email, the school website, school Facebook pages and the local news.

To aid us in keeping our schools healthy for students and staff, please continue to follow the recommended guidelines from the CDC to help prevent the spread of germs and the ISDH guidelines for school absence due to illness. If your child is ill, please keep them at home. Contact your healthcare provider if symptoms become worse. For more information and recommended guidelines, please visit: <https://www.nesc.k12.in.us/protected/ArticleView.aspx?iid=6GBI3B0&dasi=4G3P0>

As Spring Break approaches, please refer to the CDC for the latest updates regarding travel recommendations. Following Spring Break, if you or your family have any health related concerns or have traveled to areas of concern, please consult with your healthcare provider.

To help prevent the spread of illness, the custodial staff continues to diligently clean and disinfect schools on a daily basis, including highly-touched areas. Additional cleaning is planned during Spring Break.

Thank you for your support of the Northeast School Corporation. If you have any questions regarding the NESC contingency plan, please contact the NESC Central Office at 812-397-5390. If you have questions regarding COVID-19, please call the ISDH public hotline at 317-233-7125, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. or 317-233-1325, after hours. You may also email Episodesource@isdh.in.gov.

Sincerely,

Dr. Mark Baker,
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