



LOWELL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Henry J. Mroz Central Administration Offices
155 Merrimack Street
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March 16, 2020

Dear Lowell Public Schools Families,

Since we announced our plans to close the Lowell Public Schools, **Governor Baker has declared that all schools in Massachusetts will close for the next three weeks.** This means that the Lowell Public Schools will now be closed until Monday, April 6, 2020. This decision includes canceling all school-related activities scheduled to take place during this period of time. As April 6 approaches, we will continue to provide you with regular updates and additional guidance.

We are pleased to have been able to add four more locations for our grab and go lunch service while school is closed. **We will now offer lunch for Lowell Public Schools students at a total of nine sites during the weekdays** (see the chart below for details). All students ages 2-18 are eligible for this lunch program. Given the circumstances, students don't have to be present to pick up a meal. A parent or neighbor can pick up the student's lunch. The times and locations are subject to change, so please check the Lowell Public Schools website or Facebook/Twitter pages for any updates.

Bartlett (11-11:30am) 79 Wannalancit St.	Lincoln (1:30-2pm) 300 Chelmsford St.	Pawtucketville (12-12:30pm) 425 West Meadow Rd.
Butler (12:45-1:30pm) 1140 Gorham St.	Moody (12-12:30pm) 158 Rogers St.	Robinson (11:15-11:45am) 110 June St.
Greenhalge (10:30-11am) 149 Ennell St.	Murkland (12:45-1:15pm) 350 Adams St.	STEM/Rogers* (10:30am-1 pm) 43 Highland St.

**STEM meal service will be available at back door at the kitchen loading dock area off South St.*

School registration for preschool was scheduled to start on March 16, and registration for kindergarten was scheduled to start on March 30. **We have delayed both preschool and kindergarten registration periods** and will provide you with more details once new dates have been finalized.

In exercising caution for everyone's health and safety, **as of Tuesday, March 17, both the Central Office and Family Resource Center (FRC) will be closed to the public**, with all staff working remotely. However, families can still access limited services by calling the Central Office at 978-674-4320, or calling the FRC at 978-674-4321.

As a district, we will continue to closely monitor developments with the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and will continue to be in regular contact with our partners at both the city and state level. Even though school is closed for the next three weeks, we will keep you informed throughout this situation. Important updates and messages will be shared on the district website, as well as on our Facebook/Twitter pages.

In closing, I want to share that I couldn't be more proud of our teachers, principals, clerks, custodians, cafeteria workers and support staff. With an unwavering commitment to our students, Lowell Public Schools has and will continue to ensure that our children are safe and supported during this unprecedented time.

Sincerely,

Dr. Joel D. Boyd
Superintendent of Schools