



March 13, 2020

Dear Parents & Staff,

The West Chester Area School District is preparing for what may be a lengthy closure due to COVID-19. As you likely know, the Governor of PA has ordered all schools and non-essential businesses in Montgomery County to close for the next two weeks.

A disease like this does not contain itself to county borders. In order for a closure to be successful, it may be necessary to enact closures across a larger geographical area.

School districts statewide are tuning into a call with the PA Secretary of Education this morning. We hope to get more guidance about how to proceed. We will have an update for you today - including details about what kind of online learning activities we will provide.

We've been trying to make prudent, informed decisions and have to rely on experts to help guide us. We're inundated with calls and emails and will work to get back to everyone as soon as possible. Obviously, the health and welfare of our students, staff, and community are most important. Thanks for your patience and support as we work through this challenging and anxious time.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jim Scanlon
Superintendent