

# Manvel Public School

Inspiring 21st Century Learners to Influence 22nd Century Successes



May 6, 2020

Dear Manvel School Families,

Per Governor Doug Burgum, all North Dakota school districts, including Manvel Public School, will continue distance learning through the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. This is a precautionary measure against the transmission of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), a respiratory illness that passes through person-to-person contact.

There will be a wide range of emotions for each individual as they find out we will not be returning to our building this school year. As we prepare for a very different end of the school year, we have provided some important information for you to be aware of.

1. We will continue distance learning through the end of the school year, with our last day concluding on Wednesday, May 20th. We will be sending out a link (Sign Up Genius) to schedule a time to collect all school materials including devices, books, musical instruments, and any final assignments for May 18th - May 20th. More information will be shared via Remind and Facebook.
2. We are currently in the process of planning the 8th-grade graduation to honor the accomplishments of our 8th graders. Before finalizing plans, districts across the state are waiting on further guidance from the Department of Public Instruction. Once we have a plan, it will be communicated to the Manvel School community.
3. Meals will continue to be available for pick up at the school through June 30th. However, we will not be serving lunches on May 21st, 22nd & 25th. Meals will continue on Tuesday, May 26th, and be available for pick up between 11:30-12:30, Monday - Friday, until June 30th. Meals are available to all children 18-years-old and younger. As summer plans tend to change, please call the office to be added or removed from this list.
4. This closure affects all activities at the school.
5. The Manvel School playground remains closed until further notice. We do not have the staffing to continuously disinfect playground equipment, which we know sanitizing is vital in slowing the spread of the novel coronavirus.
6. Summer School will be held from June 1st - June 26th through distance learning. More information will be coming out in the near future.

Just a reminder that it remains important for everyone to limit outside contact. Healthcare experts strongly recommend everyone not be in close contact with others. If you must leave your home, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommend using a mask or face covering. Please visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html> for more information.

The end of the school year will look much different than usual. During this situation, we ask that you continue to remain calm, enjoy this time at home with your children and give each other grace and care as we practice social distancing across the country in order to keep us all healthy and safe. We will continue to work with state and local agencies on a daily basis to receive updates and guidance.

Sincerely,

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