

December 16, 2020

Dear Families,

Recently the Village of Lucas announced a planned power outage for Tuesday, December 22, 2020. It is my understanding the power outage is now cancelled. Lucas Local Schools will continue to honor the school cancellation announcement. This means there will be no school on Tuesday, December 22.

Speaking of school days, Lucas Local Schools will continue Remote Learning after the holiday break through the first two weeks of January. Our hope is to return to Traditional Classroom Learning on Tuesday, January 19, 2021. This decision was not easy. After carefully analyzing data and consulting with Richland Public Health, we feel it is in the best interest of public health and safety.

The precautionary actions of our school staff, along with the help of our families and the community will be imperative in bringing students back into the classroom. While we cannot guarantee anything, we feel conscientious efforts by everyone will make it possible. It will need to be a team effort between school staff, families, and the community to decrease the spread.

Richland Public Health encourages everyone to follow The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations for best practices to help prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- ***Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.***
- ***Use alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.***
- ***Avoid close contact with those who are sick.***
- ***Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your sleeve.***
- ***Avoid touching your eyes, mouth and nose.***
- ***Disinfect frequently touched surfaces and objects.***
- ***Stay at home when you are sick.***
- ***Practice social distancing, leaving at least six feet between you and other people.***
- ***Wear a facial covering in public settings and at school.***
- ***Avoid large gatherings of people***

Please remember, as has been the case over the past several months, things can change quickly. As data analysis continues, changes may need to occur. We will continue to communicate information as needed.

We appreciate your continued support, flexibility, and collaboration. Finally, I want to wish everyone a Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year!

Stay safe and GO CUBS!!!

Brad Herman, Superintendent