Friday, March 13, 2020

RE: COVID-19 Update #4

Dear QVSD Staff, Students and Families:

This will be the first of several communications based on the rapid changing information we are receiving from the state about COVID-19.

This afternoon, Governor Inslee announced his Executive Order to close all schools from March 17 through April 24. He also mandated the cancellation of any event where 250 or more people would congregate.

In Quillayute Valley School District, we will close schools for all students, beginning Monday, March 16 through Friday, April 24. The purpose of closing on Monday is so that our staff can begin planning for a modified educational program, where we can sustain student learning remotely throughout this period of closure.

We know this raises all kinds of questions and implications including school meals, childcare needs for our staff and families, senior graduation, and much more. We are working on plans to address a range of these impacts, and we will be in frequent communication as we work through these issues.

We will be planning for a modified educational program with the following services:

- Educational resources with support for at-home learning for our students.
- Available breakfast and lunch meals for children on a daily basis beginning Monday, March 16: Breakfast – 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. FHS Cafeteria  
  Lunch – 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. FHS Cafeteria
- Available childcare during school hours for families who serve in critical community roles, such as healthcare and first responders.

We understand this closure creates many different challenges, and our goal is to provide basic services to continue supporting our families and our community the best way possible given the circumstance. We will continue to provide updated information over the next several days, and we would ask for your patience in submitting any questions or concerns as we may not yet have the answers.

Sincerely,

Diana Reaume, QVSD Superintendent