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**Coronavirus**

# Coronavirus

## Latest District Updates

**June 11: Information on Chromebooks, Chromebook returns, and report cards in this letter to:**

- [Parents of SENIORS](#)
- [Parents of Students K-11](#)

**June 11: SUMMER MEAL PROGRAMS UPDATE:** Beginning Mon., 6/15, additional meal sites will be available for children & families. For more information visit: Visit [phila.gov/food](https://phila.gov/food)

**June 10:** Our School District will continue to operate remotely as Philadelphia moves to **yellow phase status** for COVID-19. Information for ongoing support services for our students and families can be found [HERE](#).

**June 9: Technology Support Centers** where you can have your child's District-issued Chromebook serviced will operate **as follows:**

- Through Friday June 12th, both centers will operate three days a week, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays only, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Starting Monday, June 15, both centers will operate two days a week on Mondays and Wednesdays only, from 9 a.m. to noon

**June 3: Summer Programs** have been announced. **They will all be virtual.**

**Working Papers:** The District has resumed issuing working papers, under new safety protocols. Due to COVID-19, The School District of Philadelphia will be issuing Working Papers at the 440 Education Center through APPOINTMENT ONLY on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00am to 2:00pm through a safe and secure process that follows COVID-19 restrictions. Learn more [HERE](#).

**Food relief cards:** The federal Families First Coronavirus Response Act of 2020 provides benefits, referred to as Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT), to families of school-aged children who would have otherwise received free or reduced-priced meals if it were not for school closures. Families of school-aged children (K-12) in School District of Philadelphia public schools will receive the approximate food benefit amount of \$365.00 for each school-aged child in their family. Learn more [HERE](#).

**April 22:** The District has released the Continuity of Education Plan that will guide teaching and learning for our teachers and students. Learn more [HERE](#). Planned Instruction details are [HERE](#).

**Grab-and-go meal distribution, now at 50 District school sites, have shifted to one day per week.** Learn more below.

For the latest update from Dr. Hite sent April 20, please click on your preferred language below

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### **General District COVID-19 Information Hotlines (Support for 10 Main Languages)**

T: 215-400-5300 | E: COVID19Info@philasd.org

215-400-8480 – Albanian | 215-400-8481 – Arabic | 215-400-8482 – Chinese |  
215-400-8483 – French | 215-400-8484 – Khmer | 215-400-8474 – Portuguese |  
215-400-8485 – Russian | 215-400-8489 – Spanish | 215-400-8486 – Vietnamese

### **Additional Updates**

**As new information becomes available it will be posted here. Please check back regularly for ongoing updates.**

**Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) cards:** The federal Families First Coronavirus Response Act of 2020 provides benefits, referred to as Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT), to families of school-aged children who would have otherwise received free or reduced-priced meals if it were not for school closures. Families of school-aged children (K-12) in School District of Philadelphia public schools will receive the approximate food benefit amount of \$365.00 for each school-aged child in their family. This benefit will be issued in the form of a P-EBT card by the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (DHS). If you already have an active EBT card, the P-EBT funds will be automatically added to your card. You do not need to do anything for this to occur. Learn more [HERE](#).

**Calendar changes:** Due to COVID-19 concerns, the state has moved Election Day to June 2, 2020. Therefore, schools will now be closed on Tuesday, June 2 to ensure we honor the State's Election Day on our calendar as we always do.

**Chromebooks:** The District will provide a **Chromebook to every student who needs one** for learning at home. Visit our [Chromebook Loaner page](#), for more info, a list of helpful **How-To resources** to help you use the Chromebooks, the **Student Signout Form (added 4/14)**, and answers to some **FAQ's**. **Internet access** info and resources are detailed [HERE](#). **Hotlines** have been added for tech support, for each language.

**Digital Learning:** As we move to digital learning, we know parents and guardians are being asked to engage in new roles in their student's learning. Materials, resources and information will be updated regularly [HERE](#). The District's Continuity of Education Plan is [HERE](#). Planned Instruction details are [HERE](#).

Lesson plans are posted [HERE](#). Teachers will be using these materials in Google Classroom to interact and engage students directly. Parents are able to view them however the materials were not designed for parents to use with their children independently.

**Learning Guides** continue to be available for grades PreK – 12 online [HERE](#).

**Meals:** Grab-and-go meals locations and pickup times sites for all Philadelphia students remains listed [HERE](#). In an effort to further support the City's shelter-in-place guidance, minimize social interactions and help flatten the coronavirus curve, distribution at our **50 District school sites** will be shifting to one day per week. Every Thursday, beginning April 23, from 9 a.m. to noon, you will be able to pick up a box of 5 breakfast meals, five lunch meals and a ½ gallon of milk for each student in your family. Each box weighs six pounds so we encourage you to bring a wheeled cart or some other way to easily carry the boxes if you are picking up meals for multiple students in your household. Social distancing, the use of masks and gloves, and other safety efforts will continue to be practiced to ensure everyone's safety as meals are distributed.

### **Food Benefits Program**

Food benefits (P-EBT) cards will be distributed to qualifying families. Learn more and update your address [here](#).

### **Need working papers?**

Limited hours and times and increased safety protocols apply

### **Medical Benefits Help**

If your children need health insurance, either because they never had it or because your benefits have changed during the COVID crisis, our partners at PCCY can help you

### **FAQs**

Answers, as quickly as we can provide them, to your questions during the closure. Check back often for updated information.

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## DISTRICT UPDATES

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### FAQ's

As information becomes available, we will update this resource so check back regularly

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### Chromebooks

Chromebook updates

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## **Grab and Go Meals**

Times and locations have CHANGED Please click for updated info

[Learn More](#)



## **Learning Materials**

Downloadable Learning Guides, by grade, for your student

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## **E-mail your Questions**

Submit your questions about content in the Learning Guides or ask general questions about the District closure

[covid19info@philasd.org](mailto:covid19info@philasd.org)

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## How is coronavirus spread?



**Coughing and Sneezing**



**Touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching your mouth, nose, or eyes**



**Close contact with people**

## What are the symptoms?



**Fever**



**Cough**



**Shortness of breath**

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## How can I help protect myself and others?



**Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and objects**





## Avoid putting fingers in your mouth, ears, or eyes



Wash your hands regularly with soap and water for 20 seconds



Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze – and wash your hands afterward



If you are sick, stay home until your fever is gone for 24 hours

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## Resources

The School District of Philadelphia has a guide for how to talk to your kids about coronavirus.

- [COVID-19 Parent Guide](#)

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) offers the most up-to-date information on COVID-19. For updates from CDC, please see the following:

- [CDC Interim Guidance for Administrators of US Childcare Programs and K-12 Schools to Plan, Prepare, and Respond to Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)
- [CDC Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)



## SDP Hotline

Support for questions on Learning Guides and general questions about the District closure

Available Mon – Thur, 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

 215-400-5300

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## Live District Updates

Join Dr. Hite every Wednesday at 3pm on Facebook Live for the latest updates on the

- [CDC Frequently Asked Questions and Answers: Coronavirus Disease-2019 \(COVID-19\) and Children](#)

Schools can share relevant CDC fact sheets to help students, families, and staff understand COVID-19 along with steps they can take to protect themselves:

- [What you need to know about coronavirus disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)
- [What to do if you are sick](#)
- [Stop the spread of germs – help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses like COVID-19](#)

## Other Resources

- [The Readiness Emergency Management for Schools \(REMS\) Technical Assistance \(TA\) Center website has useful information, resources, trainings, and tools for addressing infectious diseases, related topics, and protecting the school community.](#)
- [City of Philadelphia Dept of Public Health \*"School Guidance to Prevent the Spread of Coronavirus"\*](#)
- [Pennsylvania Dept of Health \*"Covid-19 Info for PreK"\*](#)
- [SAMHSA \[Coping with Stress During Infectious Disease Outbreaks\]\(#\)](#)
- [Child Mind Institute \[Talking To Kids About The Coronavirus\]\(#\)](#)
- [NASP – \[Talking to Children About COVID-19: A Parent Resource\]\(#\) \(Available in Spanish\)](#)

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