

**Red Wing Public Schools**  
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Dear Red Wing Parents:

The following letter contains information about Red Wing's response to COVID-19:

Considerations for All Students

- Red Wing Public Schools will be closed for students beginning on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> through at least Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>. This includes all before school, after school, and evening activities.
- Like other schools throughout the state, there will be no instruction through March 27<sup>th</sup>. Instead, schools will be preparing plans in case students cannot immediately return to school after March 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Parents may pick up prescription medicine for their children from school offices this Monday or Tuesday by contacting the school's nurse in advance:
  - Colvill Family Center 651-385-8000
  - Sunnyside Elementary 651-385-4577
  - Burnside Elementary 651-385-4704
  - Twin Bluff Middle School 651-385-4535
  - Red Wing High School 651-385-4611
  - District Licensed School Nurse 651-385-4509
- All Community Education, Kids Junction childcare, and preschool classes are cancelled until further notice.
- Parent-teacher conferences scheduled through March 27<sup>th</sup> are cancelled.

Childcare for Healthcare and Emergency Workers

- Beginning on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, childcare will be provided at Sunnyside Elementary School for children 12 and under if their parents are employed as healthcare or emergency workers.
- Healthcare workers include:
  - Health care workers, including hospitals and clinics
  - Post-acute and long-term care facilities, including nursing and assisted living facilities
  - Home care workers
  - Personal care assistants

- Ambulance and emergency workers
- Direct care and treatment
  
- Emergency workers include:
  - First responders
  - Firefighters
  - Correctional facility workers
  - Essential court personnel
  - Minnesota State Veterans Homes staff
  - State and local public health agency workers
  - MNsure Navigators
  - County financial/eligibility workers
  - County case managers
  - County staff in emergency management or health and human services
  
- Hours:  

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| Monday, March 16 <sup>th</sup>               | 7 am – 6 pm. |
| Beginning on Tuesday, March 17 <sup>th</sup> | 6 am – 6 pm. |
  
- Parents must bring proof of employment credentials, emergency contact information, and prescription medicines and related doctor notes with them on the first day of enrollment.
  
- Please make other arrangements if children are sick.
  
- There is no cost for program participation. Meals will be provided free of charge.

#### Next Steps

This continues to be a rapidly changing situation. Our goal is to keep you informed as events continue to evolve. Please watch closely for additional updates through the district's regular communications channels.

Sincerely,

Karsten Anderson  
Superintendent