

Important Message For Gavin Families

Dear Gavin Families,

I am sending out a quick update out to all of you as we navigate these uncharted waters with COVID-19 and the Governor's decision to close all Illinois schools beginning Tuesday, March 17 - Monday, March 30. Our primary concern at Gavin D37 is for the safety and security of our children and families.

Monday, March 16 is when we will use our remote learning plan, specifically day 1. Because we had several students who were absent on Friday, March 13, and did not receive the hard copies of the remote learning plans or blizzard bags handed out at Central or requested access to a device at South, **our Transportation Department and administrators will be hand delivering those resources to their homes from 7:45 - 8:45 AM.**

Your child's teacher(s) and several support staff is/are available via email for academic support for your child(ren) so learning may continue. Under this plan, with Day 1 being required, we will not need to make up this day at the end of the school year. An administrator will be present at Central and South. **Most important, we want our students and families to know Gavin D37 staff are available to help and support them.**

A cover letter as attached describes our remote learning plan, and all the resources you may need can be found at <https://www.gavin37.org/domain/1114>.

[Gavin D37 e-learning Memo for Parents 3.13.20.pdf](#)

[Gavin D37 e-learning Memo for Parents in Spanish 3.13.20 \(1\).pdf](#)

On Monday, March 16, for those who have signed up through the link that was provided on Friday, meals for the week will be ready for pick-up at 9:30 AM at Central School.

Tuesday, March 17 - Friday, March 20 and extended to Monday, March 30, are now considered Act of God days, or days that will not need to be made up; however, we encourage your child(ren) to continue their learning through the resources we have provided for Tuesday through Friday, days two through five. Our teachers and staff will continue to be available via email to support your child(ren), with their health and safety at the forefront of our concern, and these activities will not be graded. Also, on each of these days, an administrator will be present at Central and South.

Please note that we DO NOT expect students to complete remote learning tasks during Spring Break (March 23-27), nor will teachers be accessible during this time.

Right after Spring Break, meals for Monday, March 30, for those who signed up through the link that was provided, will be ready for pick-up at 9:30 AM at Central School.

As of today, school is set to resume on Tuesday, March 31; however, given the latitude of this situation, that may change rather quickly so I will continue to provide updates throughout these next few weeks.

As always, please reach out to us or your child's teacher(s) at any time. Our offices will be open throughout the next two weeks. For those of you who would like a resource to try to explain this to your kids: [Need a way to explain this to your kids? Click Here!](#)

While there are no reported cases of COVID-19 in our community, our thoughts are with the folks across the world who are affected as well as health care workers and doctors trying to combat the illness. Most important, please keep your families safe, warm, and healthy.

We will get through this together!

For your children,
Julie A. Brua, Ed.D.

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