



Griswold Public Schools

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Dear GPS:

Here are the updates for today.

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A Very Special Thank You to All GPS Employees!	I would like to begin today's updates by thanking all of our wonderful employees who have been both flexible and adaptable during this unusual period. Many, many thanks for all of your efforts, working together as a unified Griswold team! Let's continue to support one another, our students, our families, and our community, as we move forward together.
Grab & Go Lunch	This service will continue tomorrow, Friday, March 27th, from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm, at GMS. Please follow the traffic pattern when you enter campus. We will continue this service next week and until further notice.
Griswold Public Schools Learning Plan	<p>We have shared our Griswold Public Schools Learning Plan with our community. This plan delineates roles and responsibilities during our distance learning phase. Be sure to review the plan closely. If there are any questions about the plan, please feel free to contact Mrs. Susan Rourke, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment at srourke@griswoldpublicschools.org</p> <p>Know that we currently have 2 weeks worth of "continuous learning plans" posted on our web site--plans for this last week and this week. We are working on additional plans, and we will update our website with more information soon. If you have a specific question, please contact</p>

	the administration at one of our schools.
Our Website	Please visit our website often, as we update the site with relevant information for students, families, and all community stakeholders. We have reformatted our School Closure Information & COVID-19 Resource Page . We hope you find the new format to be more user-friendly and helpful. Be sure to click on all tabs to access different information.
Will school be back in session next week?	No, school will not be in session next week and our schools will be closed until further notice.
Is April vacation still on?	Yes, April vacation is planned, as scheduled. To review, Friday, April 10th is Good Friday--there will be no school and our offices will be closed. April vacation is the week beginning Monday, April 13th - Friday, April 17th. School is not in "session" for this period, and our offices will have limited hours.
School Contact Information	<p>Although our schools are currently closed to the public during this school closure period, we are very much available and willing to assist you. Know that our School Nurses are also here to help. Here are the points of contact:</p> <p>Griswold Elementary School Phone: 860-376-7610 Joe Bordeau, Principal: jbordeau@griswoldpublicschools.org Jackie Love, Assistant Principal: jlove@griswoldpublicschools.org Tonia Soper, School Nurse tsoper@griswoldpublicschools.org</p> <p>Griswold Middle School Phone: 860-376-7630 Glenn LaBossiere, Principal: glabossiere@griswoldpublicschools.org Louis Zubek, Assistant Principal: lzubek@griswoldpublicschools.org Renee Normandie, School Nurse rnormandie@griswoldpublicschools.org</p>

	<p>Griswold High School Phone 860-376-7640 Erin Palonen, Principal epalonen@griswoldpublicschools.org Marceline Macrino, Assistant Principal mmacrino@griswoldpublicschools.org Denise Tedeschi, School Nurse dtedeschi@griswoldpublicschools.org</p>
School Nurses	<p>Our school nurses will be reaching out to families to schedule a visit to the buildings to retrieve medicine for students that the nurses were storing in their offices.</p>
Technology	<p>We have a limited number of chromebooks for students who do not have a device at home during this school closure period. If you are in need of a chromebook, we ask that you contact our Director of Technology, Jill Curioso at jcurioso@griswoldpublicschools.org.</p> <p>We have created a link from our homepage to streamline technology questions and concerns. We have also provided information about free "WiFi" on this site. You can access this site by clicking on this link.</p>

We thank you all for your continuous support through this very difficult period. We wish you and your families good health. Please let us know what we can do to help.

Sincerely yours,



Sean P. McKenna,
Superintendent of Schools