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Dear Parents and Guardians,

At 2:45 today, the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services issued Emergency order #5

Prohibiting Mass Gatherings of 10 People or More.

Point 4 states:

Effective at 5:00 p.m.on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, all public and private schools and institutions of higher education in the State of Wisconsin shall close for instructional and extracurricular activities at 5:00 p.m. Such institutions shall remain closed for the duration of the public health emergency or until a subsequent order lifts this specific restriction.

Pittsville School District is ahead of this order because the school district closed on Monday, March 16, and began distance learning instruction Tuesday, March 17. We will extend our date for reopening as directed and continue educating our students in our new and evolving distance learning program. Our offices will be open on regular school days and all of our students should be in contact with their teachers after today. Below are announcements we have to share at this time and we will continue to keep you updated as more information or changes are announced.

Pittsville School District Meal Service During COVID-19 Outbreak

The USDA has given school districts the ability to provide meals for children during unanticipated school closures. Pittsville School District will be offering meals to students to help ease the burden during these difficult times.

- A breakfast and lunch meal will be available to any student in your household that is 18 years and younger, they do not have to attend our district on a regular basis.
- Meals will be **packaged** in to-go style packaging to maintain quality, freshness and food safety.
- Meals will be served on normal scheduled school days, Monday thru Friday with no meal service on Friday March 20, 2020 as this day was a scheduled non-school day for students.
- To maintain social distancing and make this service go as smoothly as possible we will have a **drive thru pickup** for meals in the Elementary School Office parking lot. Please follow the flow of traffic around the cones.
- Pick up time will be **between 10am and noon** in which both meals for one day will be picked up at the same time. There will be no preordering necessary, but as <u>USDA guidelines state the children must be present with the adult picking up the meals.</u>

Internet access

Please visit this web page: https://www.pittsville.k12.wi.us/kajeet.cfm. If parents already have Internet service but are having problems with it they should first contact their Internet Service Provider (ISP). If their ISP cannot resolve the issues, or if they cannot find an ISP which can provide adequate service that the family can afford, then they may contact the school to inquire about borrowing a mobile Internet hotspot; be advised we have a very limited number. These devices require a good cell phone signal at their home in order for them to work, though the user does not need to have a cell phone account to use the service. Another option is driving to the school and parking near the buildings to use our district wifi. There may be other wifi hotspots in your community. Any students who cannot access their learning through technology will be provided alternative resources, please make your teacher aware.

The school district is not an Internet service provider and our options for providing service are limited to devices which require cell phone service coverage. Parents will need to sign the parental consent form when they come in to pick up a mobile hotspot. Consent forms are also available from the website mentioned above.

Chromebook Repairs - A procedure is being worked out so that students who have problems with their Chromebook can drop them off during our regular drop off/pickup hours for repair. Students/parents need to contact Chris Nepper (neppechr@pittsville.k12.wi.us) in advance so that he can have a loaner prepared for them to pick up for the student to use until their Chromebook is repaired, after which they can come in at their earliest convenience to exchange devices. This process should be ready to go starting no later than Thursday this week.

High School

- 1) PHS is running the "online schedule" just as if it were a regular day. Please have your student log in to their Google Classrooms at their regularly scheduled class time during the day. Each teacher will provide further guidance regarding expectations for checking in, attendance, and homework.
- 2) Suggestion: While we are in the midst of social distancing, as a district we recognize the importance of social interaction. The district staff are able to continue social interactions with students via Google Hangout and other online communication tools. Please encourage your students to utilize this for asking questions and continuing relationships with PSD. We look forward to 'seeing' your students still!
- 3) Please remind your students to check their emails for Google classroom invites for their 4th term classes. The new Term will begin March 23rd.

There is a great deal of accurate and helpful information being provided from our county and state agencies. Over the last two days, many of our teachers realized how much they miss our kids with no scheduled time to physically interact with them in the near future. This affirms what I have witnessed since I have been in Pittsville, we care about your kids.

Our best for their best.

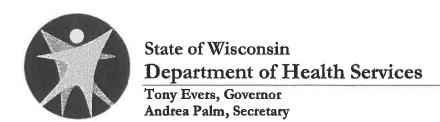
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- Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Carry and use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water hand washing is not available.
- Do not touch your face (eyes, mouth, nose).
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Do not share eating utensils, water bottles, beverage containers, or other personal items.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Avoid close contact (6 feet or less) with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces. If you develop a
 cough, fever, or shortness of breath or other respiratory symptoms after traveling,
 stay home and contact your health care provider for instructions before going to a
 clinic.



EMERGENCY ORDER #5 PROHIBITING MASS GATHERINGS OF 10 PEOPLE OR MORE

- 1. Under the authority of Wis. Stat. § 252.02(3) and at the direction of Governor Tony Evers, I, Andrea Palm, Secretary-designee of the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, order a statewide moratorium on mass gatherings of 10 people or more to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. This order supersedes any previous Emergency Order that conflicts with this order.
- 2. Effective at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17, 2020, all public and private mass gatherings are prohibited in the State of Wisconsin.

"Mass gathering" is any planned or spontaneous, public or private event or convening that will bring together or is likely to bring together 10 or more people in a single room or single confined or enclosed space at the same time.

All gatherings that bring together or are likely to bring together less than 10 people in a single room or confined or enclosed space at the same time must:

- a. Preserve social distancing of 6 feet between people, and
- b. Follow all other public health recommendations issued by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services and Centers for Disease Control.

Voluntary cancelation, closure, or limitations on size of gathering beyond the requirements of this order are permitted.

- 3. Effective at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17, 2020, all bars and restaurants shall close in the State of Wisconsin, except as provided below for restaurants.
- 4. Effective at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, all public and private schools and institutions of higher education in the State of Wisconsin shall close for instructional and extracurricular activities at 5:00 p.m. Such institutions shall remain closed for the duration of the

public health emergency or until a subsequent order lifts this specific restriction.

This order may include, but is not limited to mass gatherings at: public or private schools, auditoriums, theaters, movie theaters, museums, stadiums, arenas, conference rooms, meeting halls, exhibition centers, taverns, health and fitness centers, recreation centers, licensed pools, and places of worship and religious gatherings.

This order exempts the following:

- 1. TRANSPORTATION:
 - a. Airports as long as restaurants comply with the restrictions in Section 11 below.
 - b. Mass transportation.
- 2. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
 - a. Public, private, and charter schools only for noninstructional purposes, such as medication pickup, childcare services, providing meals, and when operating as polling places.
- 3. CHILDCARE
 - a. Childcare locations (including those that operate within a facility that is otherwise prohibited), residential care centers, and group homes.
- 4. HOTELS AND MOTELS
 - a. Hotels and motels as long as restaurants comply with the restrictions in Section 11 below.
- 5. GOVERNMENT
 - a. Military and National Guard facilities.
 - b. Law enforcement, jails, secure treatment centers, and correctional facilities, including any facility operated by the Department of Corrections, and any facility used to respond to natural disasters or public health emergencies.
 - c. State and local government facilities, including government service centers, unless prohibited elsewhere in this order or another order.
 - d. Facilities operated by the Wisconsin Legislature or Wisconsin Court System.
- 6. RELIEF FACILITIES
 - a. Food pantries and shelter facilities, including day centers, for individuals and families.
- 7. RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS
 - a. All residential buildings.
- 8. RETAIL
 - a. Retail establishments, including gas stations and auto-repair facilities, where large numbers of people are present but are generally not within arm's length of one another for more than 10 minutes. Indoor shopping malls shall close.

9. HEALTHCARE

- a. All health care facilities, including hospitals, medical facilities, home health agencies, personal care agencies, hospices, adult family homes, and pharmacies;
- b. Long-term care and assisted living facilities, as long the facility follows all current Department of Health Services' Recommendations for Prevention of COVID-19 in Long-Term Care Facilities and Assisted Living Facilities and all Centers for Disease Control recommendations.
- c. Alcohol and drug treatment centers or similar facilities.

10. FACILITIES FOR VOTING

a. Libraries when operating as polling places.

11. FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS

- a. Restaurants may remain open for take-out or delivery service only. No seating may be provided, and food may not be consumed at the restaurant. Restaurants shall preserve social distancing of six feet between customers during pick up.
- b. Retail food establishments (grocery stores, convenience stores, farmer's markets) as long as the requirements listed below are followed:
 - i. Close all seating intended for consuming food;
 - ii. Cease self-service operations of salad bars, beverage stations, and buffets; and
 - iii. Prohibit customers from self-dispensing all unpackaged food.

12. COMMERCIAL AND NON-PROFIT ENTITITES

- a. Office spaces. Such facilities shall implement social distancing, including teleworking, as much as practicable.
- b. Manufacturing, processing, distribution, and production facilities.
- c. Utility facilities.
- d. Job centers.

This order will remain in effect for the duration of the public health emergency declared in Governor Evers' Executive Order #72, or until a superseding order is issued.

Violation or obstruction of this order is punishable by imprisonment, fines, or both. Wis. Stat. § 252.25.

Andrea Palm

Secretary-designee State of Wisconsin

Department of Health Services