

March 16, 2020

Dear Camden City School District Families and Community Partners:

As a school district, we continue to monitor the news regarding the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and update our plans accordingly. **Based on recent guidance from the CDC, State, and local officials, we have revised our district closing schedule.**

The Camden City School District will still close for two weeks, **effective Wednesday, March 18, 2020**, with the following plan to ensure our students and staff are prepared to implement remote learning plans during the period of closure.

- On **Tuesday, March 17, 2020**, all district schools will be closed for an additional professional development day for staff only. **The District will not have a regular day of instruction for students.**
- The District will be open on **Tuesday, March 17, 2020**, for teachers to distribute remote learning packets to students and families.

The district will close for a two-week period, effective **Wednesday, March 18 through March 31, 2020**. Please note, we may extend school closures pending further guidance from the CDC or State officials. As a reminder, the closure affects all school programming, including before- and after-school activities, all athletic and extracurricular practices and competitions during this time.

#### **Continued learning:**

While the District is closed, all students are still expected to participate in learning - from home or online. School Support members have been preparing remote learning plans for our students. **These documents will be available to students on Tuesday, March 17, from 9AM-3PM for pick up at your respective schools. We will not have a regular day of instruction.**

**In the event, students and families are unable to pick up remote learning plans tomorrow, March 17,** learning materials may be picked up at one the following locations until Friday, March 20:

- **Woodrow Wilson High School**, 3101 Federal St., 08105
- **Camden High**, 1875 Park Blvd., 08103
- **Wiggins**, 400 Mt. Vernon St., 08103
- **Creative Arts Morgan Village Academy**, 990 Morgan Blvd., 08105
- **Yorkship**, 1251 W Collings Ave, Camden, NJ 08104

#### **Access to meals:**

**Effective, Monday, March 23, meals will only be distributed on Mondays and Thursdays.** Enough food will be sent home for several days. For example, on Mondays enough food will be provided for three days (Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday) and Thursday enough food will be provided for two days (Thursday and Friday).

Hours of Operation: Monday and Thursday from 10 AM to 12 PM

All students will be able to receive meals at one of the meal sites regardless of the school they attend. Please visit the meal site that is closest to your home.

Below is the list of all meal sites across the city:

- **Mastery High**, 800 Erie St., 08102
- **Mastery Cramer Hill**, 1001 N. 17<sup>th</sup> St., 08105
- **Woodrow Wilson High School**, 3101 Federal St., 08105
- **Camden High**, 1875 Park Blvd. 08103
- **Wiggins**, 400 Mt. Vernon St., 08103
- **Creative Arts Morgan Village Academy**, 990 Morgan Blvd., 08104
- **Camden's Pride**, 897 North 31st St., 08105
- **Camden's Promise**, 879 Beideman Ave., 08105
- **Camden Academy Charter High School**, 250 Federal St., 08105
- **Katz Dalsey**, 3098 Pleasant St., 08105
- **Yorkship**, 1251 W Collings Ave, Camden, NJ 08104
- **Uncommon**, 1575 Mt. Ehpraim Ave., 08104
- **KIPP Lanning Square**, 525 Clinton St., 08103 **(M-F from 10 - 11:30 A.M.)**

#### **Taking Continued Precautions:**

The coronavirus is thought to be spread via person-to-person contact through contaminated air droplets from coughing and sneezing by an infected person. As with controlling the spread of other viruses, we urge you to speak to your child about the following prevention measures:

- Wash your hands regularly using soap and hot water for about 20 seconds.
- Avoid coughing or sneezing into your hands or in the air. Always try to cough or sneeze into a tissue, then throw the tissue away. If you don't have a tissue, cough/sneeze into your arm.
- Avoid touching your eyes, mouth and nose.

Additional resources including COVID-19 FAQs and tips on how to talk to your child about COVID-19 are available on our website: [camden.k12.nj.us](https://camden.k12.nj.us).

Parents of students exhibiting flu-like symptoms or staff exhibiting flu-like symptoms are asked to contact their primary physician immediately.

While the district is closed, please continue to check our website and social media channel for updates. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Solution Center at 856-966-2000 x38100.

Sincerely,

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Camden City School District