



Good Afternoon Fellow Shorians,

As we continue to navigate the uncharted territory surrounding combating the spread of COVID-19, we will provide you with daily updates to make certain we are all informed with facts and decisions being made. As a reminder, there are currently no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Lake Shore Public Schools, St. Clair Shores, or Macomb County. This is an incredibly fluid situation and continues to evolve from moment to moment.

First and foremost, we have a collective responsibility to do our part to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Please continue to discuss with your family these basic personal-hygiene measures including:

- Washing your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer;
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth;
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing or cough or sneeze into the bend of your elbow;
- Avoid handshakes;
- Avoid contact with people who are sick; and
- Stay home when you are sick.

Lake Shore Public Schools will continue to be responsive to the continuing guidance provided by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and Center for Disease Control. In accordance with the guidance provided yesterday evening to minimize contact and the potential for exposure, Lake Shore has taken the following steps:

1. All after-school events and activities are currently suspended until further notice and a review of each activity, event, and athletic practice and competition has taken place to determine the potential for exposure and transmission.
2. All district sponsored field trips in state, out-of-state, and international are postponed until further notice.
3. All assemblies and activities resulting in the gathering of large groups in accordance with the MDHHS guidance will be avoided and discouraged whenever possible.
4. School Aged Child Care and Shores Child Care will continue to be open in conjunction with the operation of our schools.
5. Access to building facilities and building usage from outside entities will be temporarily suspended to minimize the possibility of exposure and transmission.
6. If you feel the need to keep your child home for any reason, please communicate that absence as you normally would, knowing that we at Lake Shore fully respect and support any decision made during these unique and challenging times.

Our operations and maintenance team continues with 24-hour sanitizing of all surfaces and areas students and staff come into contact with. We will continue emphasizing to our students the importance



of washing hands, covering their cough, and using the readily available hand sanitizer throughout our buildings.

Finally, we will continue to update you as information becomes available and decisions are made. As a father, I understand the fear and concern that we all share at this time. I am hopeful that with each passing moment our fears are assuaged and together we continue to make the very best of this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Dr. Joe DiPonio
Superintendent
Lake Shore Public Schools