

ANSONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

March 17, 2020

Dear Ansonia Families,

As I write this daily update to you, I want to start out by thanking our wonderful parents and guardians who came to their child's school yesterday and today to pick up learning packets. We have been told that many parents helped out other families who couldn't make it to the schools themselves. Thank you for helping one another during this unsettling time.

Second, we will begin distributing chromebooks for Ansonia Middle School and Ansonia High School students starting tomorrow, Wednesday, March 18. Parents/guardians who children are enrolled in AMS and AHS are welcome to pick up a chromebook for their child between the hours of 8-11 a.m. or 3-6 p.m. at Ansonia High School, 20 Pulaski Highway. You will be required to sign a form as part of the distribution. Please know that all of the equipment has been disinfected.

We intend to have chromebooks available for elementary school students by Thursday. In addition, our instructional leaders are working on online learning plans for all students in Ansonia Public Schools. We will provide an update tomorrow on both of these initiatives. Our goal is to have the online learning plans finalized and ready to be used by students from home by Monday, March 23.

Third, please be reminded that the mobile meals drop-off program begins tomorrow, Wednesday, March 18, 2020. Staff from our food services program and district will be riding the buses this week to ensure that the distribution of meals is SAFE FOR ALL and ORDERLY. This is the first time we have ever distributed meals this way, so we appreciate your patience as we roll out this new program.

A reminder: Any child ages 5-18 or their parent/guardian may go to one of the bus stops below for a lunch and next day breakfast meal. No identification is required to receive these meals. Each bus below will have its designated number visible. Please note that all four buses will leave Ansonia High School at 11 a.m. each day, and the drop off times listed below are approximate. Do not congregate and remember to follow the guidelines about social distancing. The bus schedule is as follows:

Bus 1	
11:10 a.m.	Nolan Field, 111 Wakelee Avenue
11:15 a.m.	Ansonia Middle School, 115 Howard Avenue
11:20 a.m.	Boys & Girls Club, 28 Howard Avenue
11:25 a.m.	St. Mary's/St. Michael's School, Derby
11:35 a.m.	Prendergast School, 59 Finney Street
11:40 a.m.	Hilltop Hose Co. #5, 80 Pulaski Highway

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Bus 2	
11:00 a.m.	Ansonia High School (front of school)
11:10 a.m.	Colony Park, Colony Street
11:20 a.m.	North Main and Fourth Street
11:30 a.m.	Assumption School, 51 North Cliff Street
11:40 a.m.	Ansonia Library, 56 South Cliff Street
Bus 3	
11:10 a.m.	Linnett Park (near Crowley and No. State)
11:20 a.m.	Beaver Brook Apartments, 445 Beaver St.
11:30 a.m.	Beaver & Myrtle
11:40 a.m.	St. Joseph Church, 32 Jewett Street
Bus 4	
11:05 a.m.	Emmett O'Brien School, 141 Prindle Avenue
11:15 a.m.	First Baptist Church, 235 Prindle Avenue
11:25 a.m.	Ansonia Nature Center, 10 Deerfield Avenue.
11:30 a.m.	Mead School, 75 Ford Street
11:40 a.m.	Reclaim Christian Church, 11 High Acres Road

We will continue to provide updates throughout this unprecedented and trying period of time. Please continue to check our website, www.ansonia.org; and our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/AnsoniaPublicSchools. Stay safe and well. We are Ansonia Strong.

Sincerely,

Dr. Joseph DiBacco

Superintendent of Schools