



Minooka Community Consolidated School District #201

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Parents and Guardians of Students with Special Needs,

As Superintendent Monn has communicated with families, all Minooka CCSD 201 buildings are closed through April 7th, 2020. We are currently planning for schools to reopen on Wednesday, April 8th, 2020; however, we understand that this break may last longer. Our teachers will continue to provide services and instruction to students through an eLearning platform.

The United States Secretary of Education and the Illinois State Board of Education has published guidance that will assist in ensuring all students with disabilities continue to receive services during this time. As these services will look different than when the schools are in typical attendance days, we wanted to provide additional information to our families of students with disabilities to ensure that you understand the steps we are taking to provide your child with a free appropriate public education, in accordance to your child's IEP.

What can you expect in the upcoming days?

- Your child's case manager and related service providers will reach out to discuss your child's needs and how eLearning will be supported.
- IEP services will be completed in a variety of alternative methods such as consult, home based activities/lessons, video-conferencing, and phone conferencing. Face to face and hands-on instruction will not occur until we return to typical school days.
- IEP Meetings will continue to be held through a virtual platform. Meetings will not be conducted face to face and schedules may change slightly due to the school closures. Your child's case manager will contact you to confirm and/or set up meetings and discuss the appropriate venue for the meeting (phone conference or video conference).
- Evaluations will continue as appropriate. For the safety of students and staff, face to face assessments will not be completed until we return to a typical school day. A team member will be in communication with you to discuss evaluation components and discuss any needed changes.

As this is uncharted territory for all of us, we must work in a collaborative relationship between school and home. We continue to be dedicated to your child's learning and growth. Should you have any questions, please reach out to your child's IEP team, building principal, or the Office of Student Services.

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Inspire learners to be responsible, confident and successful!