

**Conway Public Schools**  
**COVID-19 School Closure**  
**March 2020**  
**Frequently Asked Questions**

**Are there plans to provide meals for students during the closure?**

CPSD will announce here, through parent messaging, and social media, if we distribute food boxes again.

[Here is some more information about community partners who are offering assistance.](#) We suggest you call the agency beforehand, as COVID-19 may have changed their procedures, hours, or offerings.

Here are some changes and additions that we are aware of: Food boxes will be distributed by driving through to pick up the food box. The meals will be served by driving through and getting the food to go. Since information is changing daily, be sure to call the church/organization to confirm they are still serving meals and food boxes BEFORE you go. Contact information for each church/organization is listed on the resource document.

CAPCA has opened a Student Market where they are providing a two- week supply of breakfast, lunch, snacks, and drinks. Students may come one time during the two week period. Students must be present to be eligible for services. Income information is not required. The Students Market is open as follows:

Monday (March 16 and 23), Tuesday (March 17 and 24), Wednesday (March 18 and 25) 8:15 – 11:30 am, 1:15- 4 pm

THE ARKANSAS DREAM CENTER is serving food daily (M-F) for students at 6 locations:

Brierwood: 2- 2:50 pm, 207 Willow S

Chapel Ridge: 2:30-2:50 pm, 401 2nd Street

Conway Housing: 3-3:50 pm, 335 S Mitchell St.

Autumn Manor: 3:30-3:50 pm, 315 Hubbard St.

South Donaghey: 4-4:50, 1405 S. Donaghey Ave. #35

Boys and Girls Club: 4:30-4:50 pm, 1405 Robins St.

Please check the Arkansas Dream Center's Facebook page for details.

Yes. CPSD will have a drive-thru meal pickup at Ida Burns Elementary School (1201 Donaghey Avenue) on Tuesday March 17th from 8:00 am- 1:00 pm. Families may drive through the bus loop on the south side of the building to pick up breakfasts and lunches for the week. Meals are free of charge for anyone 18 years and younger. We are asking that patrons remain in their cars as our staff distributes the boxes to each car.

### **My child's medications are still at school and now needed at home. Can I pick those up?**

School nurses will be at each school Tuesday morning, March 17th from 9-11 am for families who would like to pick up medications.

### **Will we have to make up these missed days of school?**

No. The days of March 16-20 will be considered "AMI (Alternative Method of Instruction) days. These do not have to be made up at the end of the year.

### **My child did not get an AMI packet or does not have internet access? How can he/she complete the AMI assignments?**

If your child is unable to access the AMI work during the closure, they will have adequate time (at least one week) to complete the work once they return. The district's policy for make-up work gives students the number of days missed plus one, and this will also apply here. Teachers will not be excessively rigid with deadlines for this work.

### **Where can I find AMI assignments for my child?**

AMI assignments (or details about them) can be found on each school's website. You can access those websites from our district site at [conwayschools.org](http://conwayschools.org). Elementary (K-4) work is on paper, Secondary work is electronic, mostly on Google Classroom. Some printed copies for secondary students were distributed and will be available upon return as needed.

### **Are additional resources available for parents?**

Yes! The Curriculum and Instruction page on our website has many suggestions for additional websites and resources you can use with your student. Access this by going to our website-[conwayschools.org](http://conwayschools.org), then clicking the tab "[Parents and Students](#)" at the top, then choosing "[Curriculum](#)." Your student may also login to his/her Clever account and find many different options there.

**I have a child receiving special and related services (therapies) while at home. What happens with these homebound services during this time?**

Special education and related services provided in the home will be suspended until such time as our state leaders determine that the threat to your child's health and safety is at a normal level. We will address the services missed during this time at your child's annual review conference. If you have questions or concerns regarding this matter, contact Special Education Director Kim DeCorte at [decortek@conwayschools.net](mailto:decortek@conwayschools.net).

**What about elementary parent-teacher conferences? Will these still be held electronically?**

Elementary Parent-Teacher Conferences will NOT be held, electronically or face to face, this week. We will communicate about rescheduling at a later date.

**Can staff or students visit the school buildings, playgrounds, etc. during the time of closure?**

No. All campuses are completely closed during this time.

**Some school districts in the state are cancelling school even beyond Spring Break. Why isn't Conway doing that?**

The circumstances with COVID-19 are constantly developing and changing. We will continue to monitor the situation and make any decisions about further closures at that time.

**Where can I find reliable information about COVID-19 and the situation in our state?**

CDC Website- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/>

World Health Organization Website- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/>

Arkansas Department of Health Website- <https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/>

**What is the best way for me to stay up-to-date about what's happening with Conway Schools?**

Download our CPSD mobile app on your phone, from the app store or google play. You will receive the latest information from the district as soon as we send it out. You can also follow

your child's school for their notifications as well. Please also "like" and follow our "Conway Schools" Facebook page.