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Superintendent

March 13, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

With the growing concerns and continually changing status of COVID-19 (Coronavirus), Salem Central School District is taking measures to help minimize the risks of exposure to our students, staff, and community members. At the time of this notice, there is no known confirmed case of COVID-19 in Washington County.

Based on guidance from the health department authorities, and out of an abundance of caution, we are canceling/postponing our after-school activities. At this time, we have only reviewed the March events, and our April events will also be evaluated.

Here is the status of March's events and activities:

- March 19 – Elementary Open House
Canceled. The book fair associated with this event is still scheduled since it is part of the regular school day. However, to minimize visitors in our building, parents and guardians will be provided a link to the online store.
- March 19 – National Honor Society volleyball tournament
Postponed – date TBA
- March 21 – Wrestling fundraiser
Postponed – TBA
- March 26 – 2nd grade field trip to Schenectady
Postponed until May
- March 27 and March 27 – Pops concerts for band and chorus
Canceled, but will be held in a different manner (likely an assembly to elementary students) and live-streamed for public viewing.
- Basketball banquets
Delayed, or students will be recognized without a banquet. TBD.
- April - Field trip to Costa Rica
Postponed to the next school year (November)

- Courthouse Readers Program
Suspended until further notice for the health and safety of the volunteers.
- April 3 & 4 – All-County Band Festival
Canceled by event organizers.
- April 4 – Odyssey of the Mind
Canceled by event organizers
- Spring Athletics
Postponed until April 19 by the Section 2 executive committee.

There will be no after-school activities and as result there will only be one late bus run beginning Monday, March 16 through Friday, March 27, 2020.

In addition to the Superintendent's Conference Day already scheduled for Friday, March 20, **there is now an additional Superintendent's Conference scheduled for Thursday, March 19** to discuss planning and preparation in the event we need to implement an off-campus learning plan. Students will not have classes that day.

As a conscientious and thoughtful community, I am confident in everyone's understanding and patience during this unprecedented time. The health and safety of our students, staff, and community are of utmost importance. The district will continue to provide updates as needed on the school's website at www.salemcsd.org.

Sincerely,

Dr. David J. Glover
Superintendent of Schools