



Ashley Community Schools

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Dear Parents and Students,

On November 29, 2020, Ashley Community Schools was notified of a positive COVID-19 case. Those individuals needing to quarantine have been notified. Please know this has impacted a number of students and staff needing to quarantine.

Therefore, Ashley Community Schools will be switching to remote learning for all students PreK-12 starting Nov 30th. We have in the past and will continue to do our best to keep kids face to face whenever possible. At this time, due to staffing issues we will not be able to continue in person learning. This decision was not an easy one for us. We know it is in the best interest to have our students in school learning and our goal is to get them back learning in person as soon as possible.

At this time, we have decided to close in person learning until January 11, 2021. Multiple factors were taken into consideration. One of the factors being the increase in cases statewide. Additionally, with all of the holiday travel and gatherings, we feel that this will be a safe date to return. We will continue to monitor the situation as we go and make decisions based on the soundest information we have.

Our staff will be meeting Monday, November 30th to develop a plan. Teachers will be contacting you with details. In addition, we will be arranging times for individuals to pick-up Chromebook and other materials.

Please help to remind your student(s) that this is not intended as a free time off from school. Their assignments will still need to be completed and turned in on time for full credit. Teachers will be available for any help your student may need, so please encourage them to utilize that resource. We will also be offering meals for any and all families interested. Please contact Charles Clevenger at 989-847-4000 ext.1031 or Charles.Clevenger@compass-usa.com to set this up.

Again, we appreciate your understanding as we all try to do our best during this pandemic.

Ashley Community Schools and Board of Education