



March 22, 2020

CCHS District 165 Students, Parents, and Community Members,

I want to send an update on some actions we are taking in response to the COVID-19 epidemic:

Governor Extends School Closure

On Friday, March 20, Governor Pritzker issued an [Executive Order](#) to “stay at home” effective Saturday, March 21 through the end of April 7. *As part of the Governor’s order, he announced that schools will remain closed, with a tentative reopening date of April 8.* The Illinois State Board of Education has announced it will issue additional school calendar guidance in the coming week.

School Meals

The Governor’s executive order does NOT impact school meal delivery. The school district will still provide meals as outlined in my [March 17 Update](#).

School Events

All school-related events through April 7 are canceled, including the Top 10 Banquet and Accuplacer testing. *I will provide additional updates on Prom, Awards Night, the SAT, and Graduation no later than Friday, March 27,* after the Illinois State Board of Education issues school calendar guidance regarding the rest of the school year.

Stay Informed

I will continue to provide updates on the extended closure as they become available. Please check the school [website](#) for additional updates and educational enrichment materials. Students, please continue to check your email regularly for updates from teachers.

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact me at steve.murphy@cchs165.com or call at 618-457-4722 ext 27. You should also feel free to contact Principal Ryan Thomas at ryan.thomas@cchs165.com or 618-457-3371 ext 225.

As always, the health and safety of our students is our top priority. Please take time to care for yourself, your friends and family and to reach out to school and community supports with any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Stephen Murphy
Superintendent