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## "Preparing Today's Learner for Tomorrow"

March 20, 2020

To the Interlake School Division Community:

The ISD Board of Trustees understands completely that the current challenges associated with COVID-19 are impacting everyone in our communities. We want to assure you that our senior administration and school teams are doing everything we can to support students, staff and families.

The intention of this letter is to provide a general update as of today, March 20, 2020:

- Classes in all ISD schools will be suspended from March 23 to April 9. (April 10 is Good Friday)
- All students will continue to be engaged in learning by their respective schools via electronic and other adapted means. Each school will communicate with their families directly on this.
- According to the provincial government, the State of Emergency which was announced today does not impact the current timeline for suspension of classes in public schools.

There has been an overwhelming volume of information being shared via the news media and social media. Interlake School Division will continue to provide as much accurate and timely information as possible to our communities via our website. Please visit <a href="https://www.interlakesd.ca">www.interlakesd.ca</a> regularly.

We encourage you to follow these simple steps in order to keep you and your family healthy:

- Practice social distancing and stay home as much as you are able
- Wash your hands frequently with soap and warm water at least 20 seconds
- Cough or sneeze into the crook of your arm
- Use alcohol-based hand-sanitizer if handwashing with soap is not available
- If you feel ill, stay home
- Check the COVID-19 self-screening tool at https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool/

Finally, the ISD Board of Trustees is keeping all of our fellow Interlake citizens in our thoughts during this stressful time. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact myself at the contact info listed below, or our Superintendent/CEO Margaret Ward who's contact information can be found at <a href="www.interlakesd.ca">www.interlakesd.ca</a>. On behalf of my fellow trustees, I wish to convey our heartfelt appreciation to all ISD staff who have and will continue to go above and beyond for our school communities.

Sincerely,
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