

# Littleton Public Schools

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# Littleton Public Schools Closure Extended Through End of Academic Year

## Gov. Baker Extends Statewide School Closure Through End of School Year

LITTLETON -- Superintendent Kelly Clenchy announces that, in accordance with a new order from Gov. Charlie Baker and the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Littleton Public Schools shall remain closed through the end of the 2019-2020 academic year as a precaution against the COVID-19 pandemic.

The statewide closure of schools, originally set to end on April 7 and previously extended to May 4, has been further extended through the end of the school year.

The last day of school for Shaker Lane and Russell Street Schools will be on Monday, June 22. The last day of school for Littleton Middle and High Schools will be on Friday,

June 19.

The extended closure of schools is an unprecedented step in limiting the potential spread of COVID-19 and continuing the practice of social distancing as more positive cases and deaths are announced in the state each day.

**While schools remain closed, the district's food pick-up service for students and families will continue. As a reminder, food pick-up is available at Littleton High School Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-11 a.m.**

All athletic programs, events and after school activities will remain suspended. While fields, playgrounds and play areas will remain open, those using the facilities are strongly encouraged to practice social distancing while doing so.

Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education Jeffrey Riley canceled MCAS for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year across grades 3-10. The Commissioner has not yet made a decision regarding competency determination for high school graduation.

Discussions about events like graduation, prom and academic awards ceremonies will be discussed in the coming days and weeks and further information will be shared as it becomes available.

"Due to these unprecedented circumstances surrounding COVID-19, we've kept in mind the idea that remote learning would continue through the remainder of the school year and have planned accordingly," Superintendent Clenchy said. "I'm incredibly proud of the work everyone has done to keep students engaged and learning through the closure, and we will continue this momentum for the remaining weeks until the last day of school."

## **Remote Learning**

Remote learning will continue through the end of the school year and new content will continue to be introduced to students by their teachers.

Commissioner Riley will be releasing additional guidance and recommendations to school districts statewide within the coming days and an announcement will be made about any changes to the current remote learning plan.

Teachers and administrators have worked since the initial school closure to support students' connections to their school community and classwork.

During the school closure, teachers have remained vigilant and mindful of their individual students' needs and have made adjustments according to those needs. Teachers will continue to reach out to students and families on a regular basis throughout the remainder of the school closure.

Members of the community are invited to review the district's Remote Learning Plan by [clicking here](#).

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