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Dear Parent/Guardian:

You may have heard on the news Tuesday that California Governor Gavin Newsom shared his opinion that schools may not reopen this school year. We understand this information is unsettling, but as of now, there is no definitive date on when schools will reopen.

At this time, the Governor has not mandated school closures and is allowing the decision to be made on the local level. San Diego County issued a [health order](#) on Monday stating that all public and private schools “shall not hold classes or other school activities where students gather on the school campus.” San Ysidro School District is following that directive. All decisions about reopening will be made in conjunction with local public health officials.

While we are uncertain how long this closure will last, we are putting plans in place that will provide students with resources they need, whether we are closed for three weeks as scheduled, or longer. We encourage you to think in both the short- and long-term as well. Here are some resources to assist you.

- San Ysidro School District will continue to provide free breakfast and lunch to any child in our community (including those that do not attend our schools) between the ages 1 up to 18 **through April 3, 2020**. The schools that will be open for food service are: La Mirada Elementary, Willow Elementary and San Ysidro Middle School. Hours of service will be Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. **Lunch will be provided as well as Breakfast for the next day.** It is a requirement for students to be present when the food is served. Meal service will be provided in a Grab and Go style.
- Today the district sent a letter to all families via email and by mail detailing continued learning options that include digital learning resources. This continued learning guidance for students and their families during school closures is also posted on our district website at www.sysdschools.org on the front page under a tab titled, “Continued Learning Options During School Closures.”
- In partnership with KPBS and the San Diego County Office of Education, we welcome you to access 12 hours daily of state standards-aligned television programming scheduled by grade level. A student does not need access to a computer or the Internet to watch. Tune into KPBS 2 with an antenna at channel 15.2, or on Cox 811 or Spectrum 1277. Additional digital content is also accessible through [PBS LearningMedia](#).
- We are working to address services for our students with disabilities and will directly contact parents of those students regarding services during this time.
- We encourage you to stay informed of the situation by regularly checking updates from [San Diego](#)