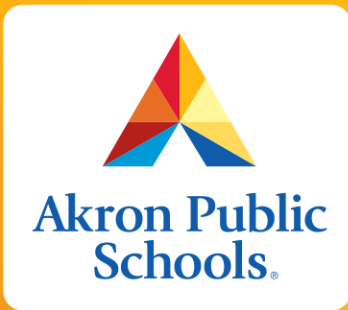




# APS DAILY COVID-19 UPDATE



Friday, April 3, 2020

The official COVID-19 news source for members of the Akron Public Schools community



## From the Superintendent

David W. James, Ed.D., superintendent

### Dear APS and Community

#### Social Distancing, Day 19

Our child nutrition employees, many of whom work part time, have gone above and beyond in helping feed our children. We have provided 128,400 meals since March 17. I've followed how they have dedicated themselves to this project, but I don't always take the time to honor our folks. We do indeed have some special people putting themselves at risk so that kids do not go hungry. For that I am eternally grateful, and our entire community should be too. As we end another week confined to our homes, my thoughts and prayers go out to all of those who continue to serve those in need in our community. Wash your hands. Stay well.

## News of the Day

### APS food distribution to pause during spring break

The district's school-based food distribution program will take a break the week of April 13-17 (APS spring break week). Families will be provided with a list of food resources during the break. Meals will resume Monday, April 20. ([Read the announcement.](#))

### Find a local food pantry, hot meals and other food resources

The Akron Canton Regional Foodbank has an [interactive map](#) that families may use to find sources of food in their neighborhood.

### Online lessons/APS Connected Learning now live

Students should have received instructions from their teachers to access lessons. Visit the APS Connected Learning tab at [akronschools.com](#) to learn more about the process, set up and resources for online learning. Students without internet may pick up paper/pencil instructional materials during meal pick up times. If you have questions, contact the APS Engagement Center at 330.761.2810.

### APS Connected Learning family resources available

APS is offering a wide variety of resources to help families be successful with APS Connected Learning. Visit our [family resource page](#) for important dates, messages from the district, access to learning tools and other information for you and your student.

### Virtual running a great option to get moving

Are your kids getting tired of being inside? Are you looking for a fun and healthy activity? Consider the virtual running program from Healthy Kids Running. [Learn more.](#)

### Thank you APD!

Thank you to our partners at the Akron Police Department for help us communicate many important messages about COVID-19. While the following video is in Nepali, one of the many languages spoken at APS, we just wanted you to see how the community comes together to help each other in times of great need. ([Link to video.](#))

## District Updates

### Student meal pick up for all children ages 1-18

Student meals (breakfast and lunch) are available at all APS neighborhood schools from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Monday-Thursday. No meals will be served at Ott, Essex, Stewart, Early College, NIHF STEM, STEM HS, I PROMISE or Miller South. These students may come to other neighborhood schools.

**IMPORTANT NOTE: Meal distribution will be suspended April 13-17 for spring break. It will resume Monday, April 20.**

### Report cyberbullying

If you or your child believe he or she is being bullied online, please complete and submit the [Bullying/harassment Complaint Form](#).

### APS is still hiring

We are continuing to hire for positions that are open and are important to the education of our students. For a list of open positions and to apply, visit <https://www.applitrack.com/akron/onlineapp/>.

## Other Resources

### Government resources

- [Summit County Public Health](#)
- [State of Ohio – Governor](#)
- [State of Ohio Department of Education](#)
- [Federal government](#)

### Health information and other resources

- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\) Updates](#)
- [Ohio Department of Health Updates](#)
- [Ohio Mental Health & Addiction Services: Managing Coronavirus-related Stress](#)
- [World Health Organization Updates](#)
- [Summit County ADM Board – Managing Stress and Anxiety Around Coronavirus](#)
- [How to talk to your kids about coronavirus](#)
- [ANIMATED VIDEO: What coronavirus does to the body](#)
- [NAMI Support Group for Families](#)
- [PBS learning resources](#)

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### Available Downloads

- [APS coronavirus and helpful hygiene tips poster](#)
  - [Arabic](#)
  - [Farsi](#)
  - [Karen](#)
  - [Mon](#)
  - [Nepali](#)
  - [Pashto](#)
  - [Spanish](#)
  - [Swahili](#)
- [Cover your Cough](#)
- [Wash your Hands](#)
- [Sick = Stay Home](#)