

# Union Hill Independent School District

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Globally we are all dealing with an unprecedented health crisis. The most important issue we are facing as a school is making every effort to ensure your children, your family, and our staff are safe and healthy during this time. The second most important issue is providing an equitable education to our students for the remainder of this school year. At this time, we are monitoring the situation on a week by week basis. **Union Hill ISD will be closed for the week of March 23, 2020 through March 27, 2020.** We are preparing for the possibility of a longer school closure. Therefore, the administration team has decided Union Hill will provide take-home instructional packets for all students grades PK-12.

On Wednesday, March 25, 2020, each student will be able to pick up a work packet, in the courtyard covering assignments for the remainder of the 5<sup>th</sup> six weeks. The packet will contain a calendar of when assignments should be completed. Each student will receive all necessary supplies to complete the assignments. The completed assignments will be due on Monday, April 13, 2020.

If the public health concern continues through the remainder of the year we will provide instructional materials for the final six weeks of school. The plan for the last six weeks will be online instruction through school issued Chromebooks for grades 6-12 and paper assignments for Pre-K – 5. The pickup time for the Chromebooks and final assignments will be announced at a later date. If students in grades 6-12 do not have access to the internet, we will provide paper copies of the assignments.

We will also be providing lunch for our students during this time of school closing. Families requesting lunch will be provided food every Monday. The food distributed on Monday will cover the entire week. Below is the schedule for food and assignment pickup.

**\*Please stay in your car when picking up assignments/food. The school staff will bring all necessary supplies to your car. All buildings will be locked and no one may enter the buildings.**

## **Lunch and assignment pickup for all students grades PK-12**

Wednesday, March 25, 2020

7:30 am-2:00 pm

Courtyard

## **Future Lunch Pick-Up Dates in Courtyard; 7:30 am-9:00 am**

Monday, March 30, 2020

Monday, April 27, 2020

Monday, April 6, 2020

Monday, May 4, 2020

Monday, April 13, 2020

Monday, May 11, 2020

Monday, April 20, 2020

Monday, May 18, 2020

## **Assignment turn-in for all students grades PK-12**

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7:30 am-2:00 pm

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There are a few questions floating around social media I will address.

## **UIL Sports and Academics**

At this time UIL has closed all practices, performances, games and events until March 29, 2020. I foresee this being extended in the near future.

## **Prom**

Our Prom is scheduled for April 4, 2020. The date will most likely be moved or could be cancelled all together.

## **Cheer Tryouts**

Rescheduled for a later date, possibly this summer or the beginning of next year.

## **NHS Induction**

Moved to Fall of 2020

## **FFA Contest and Trips**

Most of the contests occur on college campuses. These campuses are closed. I do not foresee our students participating in future FFA contests this year.

## **Graduation**

We will have graduation, however, it **might** be closed to the public, streamed through the internet, and recorded.

## **Summer School**

As long as students complete the assignments assigned during the closure and pass academically they will be promoted and or graduate. We will not have summer school at Union Hill ISD.

Sincerely,

Dr. Troy Batts  
Superintendent  
Union Hill ISD