March 13, 2020

Dear BWRSD Community,

Based on the communication today from the Governor, the RI Department of Education, and the RI Department of Health, all Rhode Island schools are moving their previously scheduled April spring vacation to next week, March 16 through March 20, 2020. Next week, BWRSD will thoroughly clean schools and offices, and work with teachers and administrators in preparation for distance learning. Additionally, we will work with our food service vendor to prepare for the availability of grab and go breakfast/lunch for students that want to avail themselves of the school nutrition program.

All extra-curricular activities including athletics are suspended for next week. Additionally, all facilities will be closed to outside groups starting today and have been suspended until further notice.

BWRSD 12 month staff will spend the week of March 16 through March 20 performing deep cleaning of school buildings, working to build students schedules for the next school year and preparing for distance learning opportunities for the following week if necessary.

In the event that districts are required to close the following week, March 23 -27, schools in Rhode Island will begin distance learning. We are asking BWRSD certified staff to work remotely, if necessary, to prepare distance learning opportunities for students by collaborating with teachers of the same grade/course virtually.

We will notify families via phone, text, email and the RI Broadcasters Association website about future school closings. This will include the COZ childcare program and all after-school activities. Please stay tuned to BWRSD’s website, social media and notification systems for any updates on this matter regarding school closings.

Thank you for your continued support of our students, staff, and schools.

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