



Dear Parents,

You may have already heard that Utah Governor Gary Herbert and State Superintendent Sydnee Dickson announced this afternoon the dismissal of all Utah K-12 public school students from school for two weeks beginning Monday, March 16 through Friday, March 27. The situation will be re-evaluated after the two week period. School will be closed for students for the scheduled Spring Break from Monday, March 30 – Friday, April 3. Additionally, school will be closed for the regular scheduled Teacher Professional Learning Day on Monday, March 23.

This move is being described as a preventative measure to curtail the possible spread of the coronavirus throughout the state. It is strongly encouraged that students stay home during this two week period of time.

Since all public school students will be dismissed from school, Syracuse Arts Academy will provide remote learning to all of our students beginning Wednesday, March 18.

Monday, March 16 and Tuesday March 17 will be scheduled as a Professional Development Day for teachers and there will be no school for students. Beginning Wednesday, March 18 until Friday March 27, teachers will begin to provide remote learning and instruction via technology to your student. Teachers will inform parents of the manner in which this instruction will occur. There may be some online instruction and learning packets to be accomplished by the students.

Although each campus will be open during this period of time where teachers will be preparing lessons for the online delivery system, direct instruction at the school will not be provided. If any students come to school between Wednesday, March 18 through Friday, March 27, there will only be work packets or small group tutoring available for students to work on as provided by the teachers and aides.

Meals will continue to be provided to all students if desired. This will entail a “Grab and Go” style breakfast and lunch where students may come by the school and pick up their meals. Each Grab Bag will include the lunch for that day and breakfast for the following morning. Grab bags may be picked up daily from 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM at each campus. Both campuses will have bags ready for pick up outside on the south side of the North Campus and the South side of the Antelope Jr. High Campus using a drive-thru concept. State Code requires that all children who pick up a meal need to be present (in the vehicle).

In addition, we will suspend the use of parent volunteers during this time. We will provide you with more information during this transitional period.

Thank you for your support and understanding during this time.

SAA Administration

#### SAA School Schedule

Monday, March 16 – Friday March 27: School Dismissal

Monday, March 16 and Tuesday, March 17: Teacher Professional Development and Planning – No school for students

Wednesday, March 18 – Friday, March 27: Teachers to provide remote learning and instruction via technology

Monday, March 23: Teacher Professional Development and Planning – No school for students

Monday, March 30 – Friday, April 3: Spring Break – No school