

All Call Message from Dr. Clemons for 3/13/20

Good Afternoon:

This is Dr. C. calling. I hope that you are doing well on today, which is Friday, March 13. I am calling to update you on steps that Gloucester County Public Schools will be taking in our efforts to keep all students, staff and community members safe as a result of COVID-19, also known as Coronavirus.

Effective immediately and for an indefinite time period, Gloucester County Public Schools will be suspending all activities and events (which include athletic events) that occur outside of our normal instructional hours. Those times are 7:40 a.m. until 2:40 p.m. for middle schools, 7:45 a.m. until 2:45 p.m. for the high school and 9:00 a.m. until 3:50 p.m. for our elementary schools. Visitors to our buildings will be restricted to include only our students, staff and families (parents, guardians, etc.). Our school buildings will also be closed to the public after normal instructional hours and the T.C. Walker Education Center will be closed to the public daily after 4:30 p.m. In addition, all field trips will be suspended as well as all out of state travel for students and staff and professional development travel outside of Gloucester.

Furthermore, Monday, March 16 will be designated as a professional day for staff to allow us the time to plan in case we have to close our schools at some point due to this pandemic. Students will not attend school on Monday. Additional cleaning will occur at all of our buildings during this time as well.

In closing, I am truly sorry for any inconvenience this may cause, but at this point we feel this is what we need to do to keep everyone safe. We will keep you updated of any changes and continuing information will be available on our websites and at our schools. Thanks so much for your time and please feel free to contact us if you have any questions. I hope that everyone has a great day and weekend. Take care.