

State Department of Education/Public Instruction **COVID-19 Information and Guidance on School Closures**

For your convenience, listed below are state education websites and information which address or provides guidance on the current school year which may include credits, classes, testing and graduation.

Under guidance and collaboration with state officials, school districts are pursuing nontraditional instruction (NTI) options such as online learning, take-home materials or independent study which allows education to continue even though school buildings are closed.

We will try our best to maintain the information and links, though the situation changes by the minute. Therefore, we encourage you to visit both your state department of education and local school district websites for current information.

The information below is current as of 3/27/20 7:30pm EST.

Federal and Education Organizations

U.S. Department of Education COVID-19 Information and Resources https://www.ed.gov/coronavirus

Education Commission of the States

COVID-19 Update: State Policy Responses and Other Executive Actions to the Coronavirus in Public Schools - https://www.ecs.org/covid-19-update/

Education Week

State by State Map of School Closures https://www.edweek.org/ew/section/multimedia/map-coronavirus-and-schoolclosures.html

College Board Corona Virus Updates – they are providing free, live, on-demand AP courses and are developing a new at-home testing option.

- Information for AP Students Affected by COVID-19 https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/coronavirus-updates
- SAT testing for March and May 2nd have been cancelled https://pages.collegeboard.org/collegeboard-covid-19-updates

State Department of Education Webpages and Information

Alabama

- Schools closed for the remainder of the school year (3/26/20 4:07pm)
- https://www.al.com/news/2020/03/alabama-k-12-schools-can-finish-academic-year-athome-ivey-says.html



• State DOE: https://www.alsde.edu/covid-19

Alaska

- School closure until 5/1/20 (3/20/20)
- State DOE: https://education.alaska.gov/safeschools/infectiousdisease

Arizona

- School closures through April 10 (3/25/20 5:42pm)
- State DOE: https://www.azed.gov/communications/2020/03/10/guidance-to-schools-on-covid-19/

Arkansas

- Schools closed through April 17 (3/19/20)
- State DOE: http://dese.ade.arkansas.gov/divisions/communications/covid-19-information

California

- School closures vary, determined by each district
- State DOE: https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/coronavirus.asp

Colorado

- School closure until 4/17/20 (3/18/20)
 https://www.colorado.gov/governor/news/colorado-takes-further-action-address-public-health-threat-covid-19
- State DOE: https://www.cde.state.co.us/safeschools

Connecticut

- School closure until 4/20/20 (3/25/20)
 https://www.nbcconnecticut.com/news/coronavirus/lamont-says-schools-will-likely-stay-closed-until-fall/2244275/
- State DOE: https://portal.ct.gov/SDE/COVID19/COVID-19-Resources-for-Families-and-Educators

Delaware

- School closures until at least May 15 (3/23/20) https://www.wmdt.com/2020/03/breaking-delaware-schools-closed-until-at-least-may-15/
- State DOE: https://www.doe.k12.de.us/domain/599

District of Columbia

- School closure through April 24
- Public Schools: https://dcps.dc.gov/coronavirus

Florida

- School campuses remain closed until April 15, begin distance learning March 30
- http://www.fldoe.org/em-response/

Georgia

- School closures until April 24 (3/26/20)
 - Search by district https://www.georgiainsights.com/georgia-school-closures.html



• State DOE: https://www.gadoe.org/External-Affairs-and-Policy/communications/Pages/coronavirus.aspx

Hawaii

- Schools remain closed through April 30 (3/24/20)
 http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/ConnectWithUs/MediaRoom/PressReleases/Pages/School-facilities-closed-to-students-through-April-30.aspx
- State DOE: <u>http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/ConnectWithUs/MediaRoom/PressReleases/Pages/</u> COVID-19-Information-Updates.aspx

Idaho

- Statewide closure of schools until April 20 (3/23/20)
 https://www.idahoednews.org/coronavirus/state-board-recommends-four-week-school-soft-closure/
- State DOE: https://coronavirus.idaho.gov/resources-for-schools/

Illinois

- Schools closed through April 7 (3/23/20)
- State Board of Education: https://www.isbe.net/coronavirus

Indiana

- Schools closed until May 1 (3/26/20 3:45pm)
- State DOE: https://www.doe.in.gov/safety/health/covid-19-resources-indiana-schools

Iowa

- Schools will reopen April 7 (3/26/20 10:25pm) https://www.kcrg.com/content/news/lowa-Governor-announces-extension-and-expansion-of-closures-due-to-COVID-19-569137501.html
- State DOE: https://educateiowa.gov/article/2020/03/26/covid-19-guidance-and-information#pk12

Kansas

- Schools closed for the remainder of the school year (3/17/20)
- State DOE: ttps://www.ksde.org/Home/Quick-Links/News-Room/kansas-school-buildings-to-close-for-remainder-of-school-year-because-of-covid-19-1

Kentucky

- Schools will remain closed until at least April 20 (3/20/20)
- State DOE: https://education.ky.gov/districts/SHS/Pages/2019-Novel-Coronavirus.aspx

Louisiana

- Schools closed until April 13 (3/13/20)
 https://www.louisianabelieves.com/newsroom/news-releases/2020/03/14/gov.-edwards-signs-proclamation-aimed-to-slow-the-spread-of-covid-19-in-louisiana
- State DOE: https://www.louisianabelieves.com/resources/covid-19

Maine



- School closure until April 27 (3/20/20) https://www.pressherald.com/2020/03/20/maine-schools-extend-closures-as-spread-of-covid-19-continues/
- State DOE: https://www.maine.gov/doe/covid-19

Marvland

- School closure through April 24
 https://www.mass.gov/news/baker-polito-administration-announces-extension-of-school-and-non-emergency-child-care-program
- State DOE: http://marylandpublicschools.org/Pages/default.aspx

Massachusetts

- Schools closed through May 4 (3/25/20)
 https://www.bostonglobe.com/2020/03/25/metro/baker-orders-schools-closed-until-early-may/
- State DOE: http://www.doe.mass.edu/sfs/emergencyplan/covid19.html

Michigan

- School closure until April 13 (3/27/20 2:01pm)
 https://www.michigan.gov/whitmer/0,9309,7-387-90499 90705-522626--,00.html
- State DOE: https://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-37818 53456---,00.html

Minnesota

- School closure at least until April 30
- State DOE: https://education.mn.gov/MDE/dse/health/covid19/

Mississippi

- School closure until April 17
- State DOE: https://www.mdek12.org/COVID19

Missouri

- School closure at least until April 6 (3/21/20). Districts have the option to extend beyond this date.
- State DOE: https://dese.mo.gov/communications/coronavirus-covid-19-information

Montana

- School closure until April 10 (3/24/20)
- State DOE: http://opi.mt.gov/COVID-19-Information

Nebraska

- School closures vary, determined by each district. NE Commissioner of Education urges to remain closed through end of the school year.
 - https://cdn.education.ne.gov/wp-
 - content/uploads/2020/03/March232020CommunicationtoDistricts.pdf
 - Search by district https://www.education.ne.gov/publichealth/known-school-closures/
- State DOE: https://www.education.ne.gov/publichealth/resources/

Nevada



- Schools may reopen no later than April 6 (3/15/20)
- State DOE: http://www.doe.nv.gov

New Hampshire

- School closure until May 4 (3/26/20)
 https://whdh.com/news/nh-governor-issues-statewide-stay-at-home-order-extends-school-closures/
- State DOE: https://www.education.nh.gov/who-we-are/commissioner/covid-19

New Jersey

- School closure until April 17 (3/26/20 4:17pm) https://www.nj.com/education/2020/03/nj-extends-statewide-school-closure-to-at-least-april-17-virtual-learning-will-continue.html
- State DOE: https://www.ni.gov/education/topics/index.shtml

New Mexico

- Schools closed for the remainder of the school year (3/27/20)
 https://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/NMPED-Press-Release-032720.pdf
- State DOE: https://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/bureaus/safe-healthy-schools/covid-19-coronavirus/

New York

- School closure until April 20 (3/27/20)
 https://www.msnbc.com/msnbc/watch/coronavirus-new-york-gov-cuomo-extends-school-closures-estimates-apex-of-need-81286725594
- State DOE: http://www.nysed.gov/coronavirus (updated 3/31/2020)

North Carolina

- School closure through May 15 (3/23/20) https://files.nc.gov/governor/documents/files/EO120.pdf
- State Department of Public Instruction: https://www.dpi.nc.gov/news/covid-19-response-resources

North Dakota

- School closure until further notice (3/15/20 6:27pm)
 https://www.kfyrtv.com/content/news/Burgum-to-make-announcement-about-K-12-school-closures-related-to-COVID-19-pandemic-568818221.html
- State Department of Public Instruction: https://www.nd.gov/dpi/nddpi-updates-and-guidance-covid-19

Ohio

- School closure until April 3 (3/12/20)
 http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Student-Supports/Coronavirus/Frequently-Asked-Questions-Governor-DeWine%e2%80%99s-Scho
- http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Student-Supports/Coronavirus

Oklahoma



- School closed for the remainder of the school year. (3/25/20 6:45pm)
 https://www.koco.com/article/oklahoma-board-of-education-meets-to-discuss-distance-learning-plan-during-covid-19-pandemic/31925470#
- State DOE: https://sde.ok.gov/newsblog/2020-03-12/coronaviruscovid-19-faqs-oklahoma-public-schools

Oregon

- School closures through April 28 (3/17/20)
- State DOE: https://www.oregon.gov/ode/students-and-family/healthsafety/Pages/COVID19.aspx

Pennsylvania

- School closures through April 6 (3/23/20). The PADOE stated the closure of schools for the remainder of the school year is determined by districts. The Governor has waived the 180 day school year requirement.
 - https://www.education.pa.gov/Schools/safeschools/emergencyplanning/COVID-19/messages/Pages/March23.aspx
- State DOE:
 - https://www.education.pa.gov/Schools/safeschools/emergencyplanning/COVID-19/Pages/default.aspx

Rhode Island

- School closure until April 3 (3/25/20)
- State DOE: https://www.ride.ri.gov/InsideRIDE/AdditionalInformation/Covid19.aspx

South Carolina

- School closure until April 30
- State DOE: https://www.ed.sc.gov/districts-schools/special-education-services/information-about-covid-19-coronavirus/

South Dakota

- School closure until May 1 (3/24/20)
- State DOE: https://doe.sd.gov/coronavirus/

Tennessee

- School closures vary, determined by each district. Governor has called for districts to remain closed until April 24. (3/24/20) https://www.newschannel5.com/news/gov-lee-asks-tennessee-public-schools-to-remain-closed-until-april-24
- State DOE: https://www.tn.gov/education/health-and-safety/update-on-coronavirus.html

Texas

- School closure until April 3 (3/19/20)
 https://tea.texas.gov/texas-schools/health-safety-discipline/coronavirus-covid-19-support-and-guidance
- Education Agency: https://tea.texas.gov/texas-schools/health-safety-discipline/coronavirus-covid-19-support-and-guidance



Utah

- School closure through May 1 (3/25/20)
 https://governor.utah.gov/2020/03/24/state-issues-extension-on-k-12-and-technical-college-dismissal/
- State Board of Education: https://schools.utah.gov/coronavirus

Vermont

- School closure: Governor directed school districts to make preparations for a transition to Continuity of Learning for the remainder of the school year. (3/27/20)
 https://governor.vermont.gov/sites/scott/files/documents/Directive%205%20-%20Continuity%20of%20Learning%20Planning%20 0.pdf
- State Agency of Education: https://education.vermont.gov/news/covid-19-guidance-vermont-schools

Virginia

- Schools closed for the remainder of the school year (3/23/20)
 https://www.governor.virginia.gov/newsroom/all-releases/2020/march/headline-855292-en.html
- Public Schools: http://www.doe.virginia.gov/support/health_medical/office/covid-19.shtml

Washington

- School closure until April 24 (3/13/20)
- Department of Public Instruction: https://www.k12.wa.us/about-ospi/press-releases/novel-coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-resources

West Virginia

- School closure until April 20 (3/25/20) https://wvde.us/school-closure-extended/
- State DOE: https://wvde.us/covid19/

Wisconsin

- School closure until April 24 (3/24/20)
 https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/WIGOV/2020/03/24/file_attachments/1409408/Health%20Order%20%2312%20Safer%20At%20Home.pdf
- Department of Public Instruction: https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/covid-19-information-pupil-services

Wyoming

- School closure until April 3
- State DOE: https://edu.wyoming.gov/educators/covid-19-resources/