



March 13, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As per Governor John Bel Edwards' proclamation, beginning on Monday, March 16, 2020, all Louisiana K-12 schools are closed through April 13, 2020, returning April 14, 2020.

The IHSNO administration staff have been preparing for possible closure and continue to work on plans for distance learning. Within the next week, you will receive information regarding the Progress reports and other schoolwork related details. Detailed plans will be emailed to families by Wednesday, March 18, 2020.

Effective Monday, March 16, 2020:

- School is closed Monday, March 16, 2020. On this day, faculty and staff will not be available this day.
- Due to the increased volume of phone calls, emails, and texts to our staff, we are unable to respond quickly. Response time will be delayed as we continue to work on preparations addressing questions and concerns.
- Tuesday, March 19, 2020, more specific information about distance learning will be sent to all parents and students via email and text.
- All students should begin checking IHSNO emails for instructions. We all need to be patient as teachers and students ease into this new learning mode.
- Students should take all they need with them today, Friday, March 13, 2020 and leave nothing at the school
- All school-related activities are canceled until further notice.
- The ACT for Tuesday, March 17, 2020, will be rescheduled. Details are forthcoming.
- Currently, we do not have information about state testing.

The process will work best if we remain as isolated as possible. If students and employees mingle, it may disrupt the reasons for isolation. The same is true for travel to known impacted areas.

This decision impacts families and will be challenging for all of us. We are preparing diligently to make sure that our students and families are supported through this time.

The most up-to-date information and resources on COVID-19 are available at the following places:



- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - [CDC](#)
- City of New Orleans - <https://ready.nola.gov/home/>

We are fortunate to have your support as we take measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and ensure the health of our students and staff.

In service,

IHSNO Administrative Team