

Ness City USD No. 303

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School Closing March 16 – 29

Due to the strong recommendation by the Kansas State Department of Education in conjunction with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment that all Kansas Schools close for the week of March 16-20, USD 303 will be extending Spring Break to include March 16 through March 20 due to State wide concerns of the spread of the COVID-19/Corona Virus. At this time, there will be no school beginning March 16 through March 29 as we work in conjunction with KSDE and KDHE to slow the spread of the virus.

Beginning at midnight tonight, all USD 303 buildings will be closed from March 16 through March 29 to all students, staff, and patrons that do not have express permission from Superintendent Reinhardt. During this time, there will be no extra-curricular activities, extra-curricular practices, gym access, weight room access, or classroom access.

We highly recommend that all individuals follow the recommendations of KDHE and the CDC by:

- 1. Wash your hands
- 2. Avoid close contact with other (social distancing)
- 3. Stay home if you are sick
- 4. Cover coughs and sneezes
- 5. Wear a face mask if you are sick
- 6. Clean and Disinfect

As new information is obtained and things change, we will be diligent in informing our students, staff, and patrons of this information and changes. We hope to have a more long term idea of what the remainder of the school year holds by the end of this week.

I thank you for your understanding.