

# Shaler Area School District

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Dear Shaler Area families:

As you know, earlier today we announced the closure of all Shaler Area facilities, activities, and events through Friday, March 27, and our intent to use Flexible Instructional Days (FID). Following our announcement, Governor Tom Wolf mandated a two-week closure of all K-12 schools in the commonwealth and announced that no school district will be penalized if it fails to meet the 180 day or school hours requirements.

In light of the governor's declaration, Shaler Area will not use FID during the first week of our closure to re-evaluate when and if to use FID.

Today, March 13, all students in grades K-8 received a packet of assignments to complete during a FID. Please place this information in a safe place in your home until additional direction is available from the school district. If your student was absent today, you will receive additional directions for when and how to access the FID lessons if/when the district decides to use them.

The health, safety, and well-being of our students and staff is our top priority, and we ask that you exercise extreme precautions during the following two weeks and not participate in any group functions. We will continue to stay in constant communication with health organizations and Pennsylvania Department of Education for guidance and share any updated information as it is available. As always, thank you for your patience and understanding during this difficult time.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Central Office at 412-492-1200 ext. 2801.

Sincerely,

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