



MODEL LABORATORY SCHOOL

AT EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

March 12, 2020

Dear Model Family,

I hope you all have been enjoying a restful Spring Break. One exciting development happened today in Frankfort: HB366 has passed through the Senate Education Committee! It will move on to a vote on the Senate floor shortly.

Additionally, many of you may have just seen the Governor's public briefing where he requested that all Kentucky public schools suspend face-to-face classes for the next two weeks beginning on Monday, March 16. We applaud the governor's aggressive and proactive approach to mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Model students will not attend face-to-face school beginning on Monday, March 16 (although faculty/staff will attend a professional development day) **through Friday, March 27. Online instruction will occur from Tuesday, March 17 through Friday, March 27.**

Students were informed of the procedures for online classroom instruction last week. Information and further directions on online instruction can be found [on the Model website](#).

Students and parents may come between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Monday, March 16 to pick up any instructional materials or technology that was left in the building.

The Extended Learning Program will not be offered from Monday, March 16 through Friday, March 27.

Any parent meeting scheduled for next week will be rescheduled; you will hear from the appropriate office individually.

Information on athletics and school-trips will be forthcoming at the beginning of next week.

As a reminder, if you or your child has:

- Traveled to a country or region under a [Level 3 Travel Health Notice](#)
- Come into immediate contact with anyone who has traveled to a [Level 3 Travel Health Notice](#)
- Been identified by a professional healthcare provider as a COVID-19 person under investigation (PUI)

You must report this to your child's principal, Laura Dedic (Laura.Dedic@eku.edu) or David Naylor (David.Naylor@eku.edu).

It is advised that everyone practice social distancing, which includes staying at least 6 feet away from other people and avoiding large crowds. If you or your child are experiencing cold/flu-like symptoms, please contact a health professional immediately.

Because this pandemic is so new and information is continuing to evolve rapidly, we will provide the community with updates as the situation changes. I know this disruption is difficult for parents and students, and I appreciate your patience and support as we work to meet the needs of Model students and families. We're always focused on the health and safety of our students first and foremost, as well as the health of the larger community.

Additional information on COVID-19 can be found on the [official Kentucky website](#) as well as the official [CDC website](#).

Sincerely,

John R. Williamson, Superintendent