



# Sweet Home Independent School District

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## **Sweet Home ISD Families:**

Sweet Home ISD will halt face to face instruction starting March 23, 2020 through March 27, 2020 to support our community and health care professionals in the ongoing goal of containing the spread of the novel coronavirus, or COVID-19.

We do not make this decision lightly. We fully realize it presents significant difficulties to working parents. However, we are hopeful that these measures will better ensure the long-term health and safety of children, staff, and the larger community.

Sweet Home ISD is finalizing logistics on distance learning. Once a decision is made, the district and the teachers will communicate with all parents.

Additionally, Sweet Home ISD asks the broader community to take the following reasonable precautions to prevent the spread of the illness:

- Don't shake hands
- Wash your hands regularly
- Limit movement within the community, especially avoiding crowded places and maintaining 3 to 6 ft of distance between people (at least an arm's length)
- If you are moving around in the community, don't congregate in large groups
- For those who have traveled to areas with known COVID-19 cases – both inside and outside of the country – we ask that you self-quarantine and monitor for symptoms. Students who have traveled should plan to stay home for two weeks after arriving home. Please contact your campus to let them know, and this will be considered an excused absence.
- If you suspect you have [symptoms](#) of COVID-19, call your health care provider for medical advice .
- Keep your child at home if he/she feels ill, even if you think it is just a cold.
- Do not leave the house if you are ill, except to access medical care

This is a quickly changing situation, and we will continue to monitor information. We will assess conditions throughout the week, and will provide updates via our website, Facebook, and Remind.

Thank you for your support and cooperation as we ensure that all members of the community in Sweet Home stay safe and healthy.

**Shane Wagner**  
**Superintendent**  
**Sweet Home ISD**

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