



SCOTTSDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
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March 19, 2020

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Hello! Today’s daily briefing comes to you with a variety of resources Scottsdale Unified is providing to help you as well as our teachers, students and parents adjust to our new online learning model beginning Monday, March 23. You’ll also learn about the important work that our Nutrition Services Department is doing, now in conjunction with Transportation, to deliver meals to children in the community. The daily meal count on Monday was 490 and today, it sky rocketed to 1248 meals. That was across 4 sites. Monday, the program will expand to 11 additional sites. Again, we thank you for all that you have been and will do to keep the essential functions of the District running. Thank you!

Online Learning Technology Help Desk

We want to make sure that parents, teachers and students feel supported through this transition from on-campus to online. To that end, they will be able to access the Scottsdale Unified School District Information Technology Help Desk at 480-484-HELP (4357). Here is a handy chart to reference:

Scottsdale Unified Help Desk Support

For Help With	Dial	Days Available	Hours of Operation
Parent Vue Student Vue Synergy	480-484-HELP (4357) Option 1	Monday - Friday	8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Software Support Microsoft Teams Google Applications	480-484-HELP (4357) Option 2	Monday - Friday	7 a.m. – 10 p.m.
Hardware Support Devices	480-484-HELP (4357) Option 2	Monday - Friday	7 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Specialty Student Information Technology Support

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For Help With	Click	Days Available	Hours of Operation
Online/Chat Support	Teams Channel: SUSD-484-HelpDesk-Student	Monday - Friday	7 a.m. – 10 p.m.
Online/Chat Support	Teams Channel: SUSD-484-HelpDesk-Staff	Monday thru Friday	7 a.m. – 10 p.m.
Artificial Intelligence Support Chat Bot	Teams ICON	<i>Coming Soon!</i>	24/7

Note: *The SUSD IT Department will not be able to assist with setting up or troubleshooting Wi-Fi issues. You will need to contact your Internet Service Provider for Wi-Fi support.*

SUSD Technology Device Checkout and Connectivity Options

Families that need devices and Internet access can check them out on Friday, March 20 at two sites in the district. We want to ensure we have enough devices for families, so ***this first roll out is for families that do not have any devices or access to the Internet.*** There will be a limit of 1 computer per family at this time.

Devices can be picked up on Friday, March 20 between 9:30 a.m. & 1 p.m. at:

- Navajo Elementary: 7501 E. Oak St, Scottsdale
- Chaparral High School: 6935 E. Gold Dust Ave, Scottsdale

Additional pick-up days will be planned. Once again, ***this initial check-out day is for families that do not have any devices in the household.***

Students or parent/guardians will be requested to present the student's Scottsdale Unified school-issued ID for 5th through 12th grade students and a Government-issued ID, as well as their child's Student ID Number before receiving technology items.

- **Students will not be required to be online for great lengths of time.**
- **Multiple siblings can share a device.**
- **PlayStation 4 and Xbox can be used to connect to web browsers that enable access to Microsoft Teams and Google platforms.**

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Meal Distribution

SUSD Nutrition Services had distributed thousands of free meals to children in the community!

- On Monday, March 16, a total of 490 meals were distributed.
- On Tuesday, March 17, there was an increase to 742 meals provided.
- On Wednesday, March 18, 768 meals went out despite the rain!
- On Thursday, March 19 (today), 1,248 meals went directly to kids in our community.

As a reminder, these are **free school breakfasts and lunches** available to all children ages 1 – 18 in our community. Meals are distributed from 9:30 – 11 a.m. Monday through Friday at four SUSD school sites:

- Navajo Elementary, 7501 E. Oak St., Scottsdale
- Tavan Elementary, 4610 E. Osborn Rd., Phoenix
- Yavapai Elementary, 701 N. Miller Rd., Scottsdale
- Tonalea K-8, 6720 E. Continental Dr., Scottsdale

Additional Meal Distribution Sites Added Beginning March 23: In order to assist families in meeting their children’s nutritional needs during the school closure, SUSD’s Nutrition Services and Transportation Department have partnered to add 11 additional “bus stop style” meal pick up sites.

In addition to the four schools names above, the following locations will also serve as meal distribution sites. Free meals are available for all children ages 1 – 18 each weekday, beginning Monday, March 23 per the schedule and locations below. Look for a Scottsdale Unified school bus at these locations:

(Simply pull up to the bus. There is no need to exit your vehicle.)

- Hohokam Elementary, 8451 E. Oak St, Bus Lane: 9:30 -10 a.m.
- City of Scottsdale Apache Park, 1201 N. 85th Pl, South Parking Lot: 10:30 – 11 a.m.
- Navajo Granite Reef Campus, 4525 N. Granite Reef Rd: 9:30 -10 a.m.
- Pueblo Elementary, 6320 N. 82nd St, Bus Lane: 10:30 – 11 a.m.
- SUSD Bus Stop, 7440 E. Thomas Rd. Parking Lot at northeast corner of Thomas Rd. and Civic Center Dr: 9:30 – 10 a.m.
- Oasis of Scottsdale Apartments, 7777 E. Heatherbrae (Just West of 78th St) : 10:30 -11 a.m.
- Redfield Elementary, 9181 E. Redfield Rd. Bus Lane: 9:30 -10 a.m.
- City of Scottsdale Horizon Park, 15444 N. 100th St, West Entrance: 10:30 – 11 a.m.
- The Bridge United Methodist Church, 4900 E. Thomas Rd, Phoenix: 9:30 -10 a.m.

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- City of Scottsdale Paiute Neighborhood Center, 6535 E. Osborn Rd: 10:30 – 11 a.m.
- Scottsdale 59 Apartments, 5900 E. Thomas Rd Near E Tangerine Ave and N 60th St: 9:30 – 10 a.m.

Each child present between the ages of 1 and 18 will receive a free breakfast and lunch!

Tips for Social Distancing

Just a friendly reminder, it is still very important to practice social distancing and be vigilant about hand washing, covering coughs and sneezes and staying out of public spaces (parks, stores, restaurants, etc.) if you feel sick. Here is a handy list of resources to help you and your family:

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Factual & Reliable Resources

- How to Protect Yourself: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/prevention.html>
- Symptoms: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>
- How to Prepare: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/index.html>
- COVID-19 & Children: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/children-faq.html>
- Stress & Anxiety Management: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/managing-stress-anxiety.html>
- If You Are Sick, What to Do: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/index.html>
- Travel Information: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html>
- Talking to Children About COVID-19: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/talking-with-children.html>

SPECIAL INFORMATION FOR ALL EMPLOYEES:
<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/protect-yourself-pandemic.html>

High School Updates

As information becomes available on Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB) and Dual Enrollment, the respective teachers will be notified so they can pass information along to students and parents. You can also get information from [College Board](#) specific to AP and [International Baccalaureate](#) for COVID-19 updates directly from their organization.



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And because this information is so important, here are a few reminders we'd like to repeat from yesterday's update:

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Employee Pay Resolution

The Governing Board approved a resolution on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 to ensure all SUSD employees will be paid during this closure. The approval is for the time frame of March 16, 2020 through March 27, 2020. Classified hourly workers who are deemed "essential" by their supervisor will be paid time and a half if they are asked to work. The time and a half pay is for the hours the supervisor asks the Classified employee to work between March 16, 2020 and March 27, 2020. This resolution calls for a reassessment of this commitment by the end of next week (March 27, 2020) in the event the closure is extended. We thank all employees for their commitment to the SUSD family. You may view a copy of this resolution at [https://www.susd.org/cms/lib/AZ50000436/Centricity/shared/covid-19/2020 Resolution regarding Staff Pay and continuity of operations during school closures.pdf](https://www.susd.org/cms/lib/AZ50000436/Centricity/shared/covid-19/2020%20Resolution%20regarding%20Staff%20Pay%20and%20continuity%20of%20operations%20during%20school%20closures.pdf) and view the video at <https://youtu.be/LGHXc7j-Gs?t=4270>

Teachers

Please find the link to begin the teacher training to teach online. Training is to be completed on Thursday, March 19 and Friday, March 20. Please click below for all of your training resources.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1u-P3N8xizamk1Xo2SP0dsyg_keAFY3BPOnBXJyJEafc/edit#heading=h.6w3rvpc7kwtv

MOM Mobile Mammograms Postponed

Due to the current direction from national and local health experts, the Mobile Onsite Mammography screening program has been postponed until further notice.

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona Benefit: Nurse on Call

As a reminder, employees covered by the District's health plan, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Arizona (BCBSAZ), have access to a Nurse on Call service as part of our benefits. This "telemedicine" option is available by calling 1-866-422-2729. A recent press release from BCBSAZ states that: "BCBSAZ will seek to minimize barriers for testing and treatment, including waiving prior authorizations for members with COVID-19, eliminating member cost share for telehealth sessions, increasing access to prescription drugs, and enhancing other clinical support systems."

Read more here: <https://newscenter.azblue.com/blue-cross-blue-shield-of-arizona-expands-support-for-coronavirus-services-and-care-waives-telehealth-cost-share-for-members/>

*Until our next briefing,
Scottsdale Unified Cabinet*