March 13, 2020

Dear Families and Staff of Silver Consolidated Schools,

Here is the latest update to the evolving situation relating to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) and Silver Consolidated Schools (SCSD). As per an order from Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham and the New Mexico Public Education Department (NMPED), our district will be closed beginning on Monday, March 23, 2020 returning April 6, 2020.

For SCSD Staff:

- Silver Consolidated Schools will continue to pay workers as if school is still in session
- All paper paychecks will be mailed. Direct deposit will continue as usual
- NMPED will waive the instructional hours requirement, so that school days will not need to be made up
- If you have any reservations for upcoming conferences, professional development, etc. during the closure, be sure to cancel the reservations
- There will be no activity or athletic practice sessions
- Schools will be undergoing deep cleaning during the closure
- Any questions, please see your principal or supervisor

For SCSD Families:

- District facilities will be closed during the mandatory closure. This includes no community groups, athletic teams, etc.
- As per a request from NMPED, child care centers inside our buildings will continue to provide services; El Grito at Sixth Street Elementary and Growing Tree
- There will be no activity or athletic practice sessions
- Beginning Monday, March 23, 2020, Stout Elementary Cafeteria and Cliff Schools Cafeteria will be serving grab & go meals for breakfast from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. and lunch grab & go meals from 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.
- Due to these extenuating circumstances, SCSD is currently working with several community organizations in an effort to ensure meals are available during the closure for students, including Spring Break. Information on the distribution sites will be forthcoming and will be communicated in the near future
- HMS Clinic at Silver High School will be closed during the regularly scheduled Spring Break (March 16, 2020 – March 20, 2020), but will be open the following two weeks during the remainder of the mandated closure

Once again, the top priority is to stop the spread of COVID-19. As the situation develops, please visit http://cv.nmhealth.org/ for the most up to date information.

Sincerely,

Audie Brown
Superintendent