



# SHELBY EASTERN SCHOOLS

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## **Mission Statement:**

***Shape, Empower, and Support the minds of tomorrow***

March 13th, 2020

RE: SES Schools Closure Statement

SES: Students, Parents, and Staff

Beginning on Monday, March 16th, SES will be closed until March 27th. Our current plan is to re-open on Monday, March 30th, which coincides with our planned return from spring break. March 16th and 17th will be non-attendance days for students. The Governor's school waiver proclamation will allow us to maintain our current calendar and not make-up these days. March 16th and 17th will be staff preparation days for the possibility of future eLearning days after spring break.

We hope to return to school on March 30th after spring break, but if we are not permitted to do so, March 30th - April 3rd will be conducted as eLearning days for students in grades K-12. A decision in regards to that week will be made at a later date and communicated to all parents and staff.

Elementary devices will be sent home with all students who shared a need for a device on the form circulated last night. In addition, each campus will arrange device pick-up times for students next week if it doesn't make it home today. We are working to provide internet access outside of the main entrance of both Morristown High School and Waldron High School for parents who may not have access at home. This access can be utilized from a vehicle parked in the parking lot and will be available each day throughout an extended closure.

"Grab and Go" meal service for any current SES student will be available on Monday and Tuesday, between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. at the Morristown Jr. Sr. High School (Door # 1) and Waldron High School (Door # 4). In the event the closure goes beyond spring break, additional meal pick-up times will be arranged and communicated on an ongoing basis.

Beginning on Saturday, March 14th, all athletic practices and other school related activities will be postponed until at least March 30th.

Thank you for your patience as we have considered all of our options. Our intention is to do everything we can to ensure the safety of our students and staff. We appreciate your continued support. Please reach out to your school office if you have any specific questions pertaining to your son or daughter.

Regards,

Dr. Todd Hitchcock  
Superintendent,  
Shelby Eastern Schools