

Wheaton Area Schools
Independent School District #803

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Dear Pearson Elementary Parents,
Minnesota schools are closed through Friday, March 27th, to allow teachers and staff time to plan to begin Distance Learning on Monday, March 30th.

Beginning Monday, March 30th, the best way for our teachers to communicate and send information to students and families, will be through the Internet and using various online learning tools. To make that fair for all, we will offer the use of our school iPads for each of our PreKindergarten – 5th grade students.

Teachers in all PreK-5th grades will be using several online apps to deliver instruction to our students. Google Classroom, Zoom, and Remind are some of the apps they will use.

Parents who want to check out an iPad for their child to use during Distance Learning this school year can come to Pearson Elementary at a scheduled time on Thursday, March 26th to pick up an iPad and charger for your child to use. At that time, you will fill out paperwork, taking responsibility for the care of the iPad. You may also sign up for the District's iPad insurance plan. It covers accidental damage to the iPad and is offered to our elementary students for \$10 per iPad.

Your child's teacher will be contacting you. Please respond and let them know if you would like to get an iPad for your child to use during this Distance Learning time. If not, we expect you will have another device for them to use or let your child's teacher know that you would prefer that they only receive paper assignments.

Teachers will have other classroom materials ready for you to pick up for your child as well.
Your child's teacher will give you a time that you can pick up your child's schoolwork and iPad this Thursday, March 26th.

Thank you,

Dan Posthumus
Superintendent & Elementary Principal
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