

QCUSD families- Please see the below update regarding Coronavirus from the Arizona Department of Education.

Please click the [link to our FAQ](#) for updates as we monitor the situation. Updates will also be posted on our website www.qcUSD.org/news.



Guidance for Schools on COVID-19

March 10, 2020

Dear School Leaders,

I write to you today to bring you up to speed on the recent outbreak of Coronavirus (COVID-19) and provide guidance to ensure that every Arizona student and educator, and their families, can remain healthy.

I understand there is much information about the virus that is circulating and causing concern, and I want to reassure you that alongside the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS), the Governors' Office, and county Departments of Public Health, the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) is doing everything we can to prepare. Information is rapidly changing but we remain committed to providing you with up-to-date information.

QUESTIONS AROUND SCHOOL CLOSURES:

At this time, school closures are not recommended by the Arizona Department of Health Services or any county Department of Public Health.

However, should that change, you should expect an announcement to come from a county health department. If a school closure happens at any point, ADE will work with school leadership, public health officials, the Arizona Department of Health Services, and/or the Governor in appropriate response.

We are aware of the questions and logistics our schools will face should a county health department recommend a school closure. Please know ADE will be prepared to provide guidance to schools about graduation, assessments, school meals, special education services, etc. should that situation arise.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathy Hoffman".

Kathy Hoffman
Superintendent of Public Instruction