

# **USD 467 Wichita County Public Schools**

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To the Wichita County Community:

School districts across Kansas have been busy preparing Continuous Learning Plans since Governor Laura Kelly's announcement of the closure of all Kansas school buildings last week. USD 467 asked parents to complete an on-line survey. The survey results were analyzed, and **packet and on-line learning** were identified as the best ways to continue learning for Wichita County students in this unprecedented situation.

As staff members returned to school this week to plan activities for packet and on-line learning, the buildings were unusually quiet. The abrupt end to in-person teaching and learning has had a social and emotional impact on educators, students, and their families. We miss seeing students, and want to connect with them.

**A parade of educators will be held on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM.** The parade route will include all east/west roads beginning on the south edge of Leoti. USD 467 staff will follow CDC guidelines as they drive the parade route to greet students from their vehicles. Please practice social distancing when lining your streets. This is not meant to encourage gatherings of any kind. Families living outside the city limits are encouraged to drive to Leoti to participate.

**On Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, parents may come to Wichita County Elementary to pick up their children's belongings and learning packets.** Families have been assigned pick-up times based on the letter of their last name. We will post the times on our doors, webpage, and Facebook page. Kindergarten through third grade families will pick up their items from the hallway outside their classroom door on the WEST side of the building, and preschool, fourth, fifth, and sixth grade families will pick up their items from the entryway on the EAST side of the building. Staff will be there to assist you. **If you have library books or other school items, you may return them at this time.**

**The learning packets will outline your child's grade level plan for continuous learning, so please watch for this packet at pick-up. Teacher contact information will be in the packet.**

**USD 467 will serve a free breakfast and lunch to all children 1-18 years of age beginning on March 30<sup>th</sup>.** Children must be present to receive a meal. All meals will be Grab-N-Go prepackaged meals. Menus are found on the website and Facebook page. Meals may be picked up on the east side of the elementary building in or near the dome from 12:00-1:00 PM.

There is a Kansas Family Guide to Continuous Learning available on the KSDE website. The URL for this resource is: <https://sites.google.com/ksde.org/kansascontinuouslearning2020/kansas-family-guide-to-continuous-learning?authuser=0>

We urge the community to continue to follow guidance from CDC, and the Wichita County Health Department. We are committed to working together as a community to support one another through this difficult and unprecedented time. Communication will remain a top priority. Please contact us with any questions at 620-375-2314. You may reach me by email at: [lori.maxwell@leoti.org](mailto:lori.maxwell@leoti.org)

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