

8/30/2021

Dear Parent/Guardian and Staff,

Due to the rising number of students and staff members who are currently ill with COVID-19, demonstrating symptoms that are consistent with COVID-19, or who have experienced possible exposure, all OISD campuses will be closed until September 7, 2021. The health and safety of our students, staff, and families is our main priority and the data indicates that we must take this action to curb the current trajectory.

I understand how difficult this closure will be for many of our families and our students, so I assure you this decision was not made easily. Our hope is that this closure will allow COVID-19 positive individuals time to isolate and recover, while also allowing those who have experienced possible exposure to quarantine. We will also use this time to not only perform our routine cleaning, but provide the opportunity for deep cleaning of our facilities.

During this temporary closure, no remote instruction will be provided. Our existing school calendar will not need to be altered unless necessary due to additional closures. All extracurricular activities, games, and practices will be suspended until 3:00 p.m. on September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021. This closure may be extended if the situation and conditions warrant.

We encourage parents and guardians to closely monitor your child's health and to contact your child's campus if you have any questions. Free testing for staff and students will be provided by appointment. Campus administration will be available to answer your call. OJSH-936-646-1020 OES-936-646-1010. District communications will be posted to our district website, <a href="www.onalaskaisd.net">www.onalaskaisd.net</a>, on our Facebook page, through Remind and using our call-out system.

Sincerely,

Anthony Roberts Superintendent of Schools Onalaska ISD