



COVID-19
GENERAL PARENT & STUDENT
Frequently Asked Questions
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Shelby County Schools (SCS) is actively monitoring all matters related to COVID-19 and is committed to keeping families informed. Below is a set of important updates and answers to frequently asked questions we have received. You can find additional facts and helpful resources at www.scsk12.org/coronavirusfacts.

Student-Related Activities

1. **How long will District schools be closed as a result of the recent development of the COVID-19?**
All schools will be closed from Friday, March 13 through Friday, March 27. Schools will resume all standard operations on Monday, March 30.
2. **During this closure, will extracurricular activities be canceled?**
Yes, all extracurricular activities, including sports practices, games (except for the TSSAA tournaments), performances and parent meetings will be canceled while schools are closed March 13-27. We are handling the extended days of closure as we handle inclement weather days.
3. **Can any type of student/staff groups or clubs gather on campus during the school closure window to prepare for any upcoming competitions?**
No, schools are closed during this period, and all school-based activities are canceled.
4. **Are field trips, in or out of the county, canceled during the school closure period?**
Yes, all field trips are canceled during this period. The only exception is travel associated with TSSAA tournament travel.
5. **Is the ACT scheduled on March 31 for 11th grade students canceled?**
We are currently in the process of reviewing and will make the necessary announcement once a decision is made. We will communicate directly with all 11th grade students and families.

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6. **Will there be learning opportunities available while students are out of classes?**
Yes, our Academics team is currently developing a plan to provide grade-specific instructional packets for all students while schools are closed. More information will be shared with families.

7. **Will SCS make arrangements for students to obtain meals during this closure?**

Yes, the SCS Nutrition Services is making arrangements for children under the age of 18 to obtain pre-packaged meals at designated locations March 23-27 (sites TBA).

8. **Does this closure include SCS-authorized charter schools?**

SCS-authorized charter schools follow their own administrative rules and procedures. Charter school parents and employees are encouraged to contact their own charter school directly for specific details.

9. **Will these days have to be made up at the end of the school year?**

No. Schools will be closed a total of 11 days, but five days are for the scheduled Spring Break March 16-20. To avoid the loss of required instructional days for the remainder of the year, the District will be utilizing six days reserved for inclement weather.

10. **Will security personnel be available during this closure?**

Yes, our Safety and Security team will continue to conduct patrols in our school communities and perform all procedures to keep our schools and District safe.

11. **Will Pre-K & registration still be available during this closure?**

The online application process will still be launched March 23 so parents can register and update their information online. District offices will be open during normal business hours for any parents who need assistance with registration or other services provided at these locations. For questions, please contact our Parent Welcome Center at 416-5300. Find additional registration information at www.scsk12.org/registration.