

**Whitehall Central School District
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Good Afternoon,

March 13, 2020

As you may be aware, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the President of the United States, and the Governor of New York have both declared states of emergency. While it is important to note that while there are no confirmed COVID-19 cases within the Whitehall school district, based on the recent information provided by the Center for Disease Control, in conjunction with the 31 component school districts in the WSWHE BOCES, and with the full support of Washington County, the Whitehall Central School District will be cancelling classes for all students, including out of district placements, as well as all school events and activities beginning on Monday March 16th and lasting through Friday, April 17, 2020.

It is important to note that Monday, March 16th will remain as a Superintendent's Conference day and all professional staff must report to their building at their regularly scheduled times.

We understand that this is an unprecedented decision and one that will cause a major disruption to our daily lives. While this situation continues to evolve we are committed to providing you with updated and accurate information, including steps that our district will take throughout the closure. The District will be in contact early next week in reference to student work, student meal distribution as well as the weekend backpack program. This is a continually evolving process and one in which we are working diligently to meet the needs of our community.

I appreciate your continued support of the Whitehall school district as we work to ensure the safety and well-being of our students, staff, families, and community members during this difficult time.