



Pender County Schools COVID-19

Frequently Asked Questions

As of March 23, 2020 @ 9:00 a.m.

Why are Pender County Schools closed?

On Saturday, March 14, North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper signed into effect Executive Order No. 117, which directed the statewide closure of all K-12 schools beginning March 16 and lasting until March 30. This closure was in response to the COVID-19 pandemic occurring worldwide. All Pender County Schools buildings are closed to the public at this time and will remain so until further information is received from State officials.

Who is making the COVID-19 decisions for PCS?

Utilizing guidance being provided by State and Federal officials, Pender County Schools' Superintendent Dr. Steven Hill and the district's cabinet members are working with the Board of Education, district administrators & health partners, Pender County Health Department and other local government entities to determine how to provide services to students and their families during the closure.

How are meals being made available to students while schools are closed?

As of March 18, Pender County Schools has six regional school sites offering grab-and-go meals for all district students and any children age 18 or under from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday. They will receive lunch for that day and a breakfast for the next day during each visit. On Fridays, students will receive a lunch for that day, breakfast for Saturday-Monday, and lunch for Saturday and Sunday. Those pickup sites are:

Penderlea School: 11 Garden Road, Willard

Malpass Corner Elementary: 4992 Malpass Corner Road, Burgaw

Burgaw Elementary: 400 North Wright Street, Burgaw

Heide Trask High: 14328 N.C. Hwy 201, Rocky Point

Topsail High: 245 Saint Johns Church Rd, Hampstead

Surf City Elementary/Middle: 12345-A Literacy Lane, Hampstead

Starting March 24, those six sites will remain open, but an additional 56 pickup points throughout the county have been added. A bus will be at each at a designated start time and will remain there for approximately two hours. **You can see the complete list of pickup sites with address and time the bus will arrive by scrolling to the end of this document.**

How can families continue student learning while schools are closed?

On March 17, parents and guardians were given an opportunity to stop by their child's respective school and pick up a packet of optional education materials and a Google Chromebook. If you were unable to pick up these materials, we ask that you contact your child's teacher via email or call your school to receive further information.

What if my student is having trouble with their district-issued Chromebook?

If you are having trouble with your district-issued Chromebook, please contact Technology Services Director Chuck Allen at Charles_Allen@pender.k12.nc.us for guidance.

I'd like to volunteer and help students during this time. How can I do that?

Anyone wishing to lend a hand to our PCS students and their families during this closure should reach out to Alternative Learning Program Coordinator Aja Winstead at Aja_Winstead@pender.k12.nc.us for possible opportunities.

Will families receive refunds for prepaid field trips?

Each school is working with their respective booking agents for further information on refunds and rescheduling of prepaid field trips. We ask for your patience as this process is ongoing. For the latest information, please contact your respective school for a status update.

Can school buildings be used for community rentals?

To allow for proper sanitizing of our Pender County Schools facilities and in keeping with mandates regarding limiting congregation, all community rentals have been canceled or postponed until further notice. We apologize for any inconvenience this will cause.

What are schools doing to clean and sanitize schools and buses?

In partnership with our janitorial service provider, ABM, Pender County Schools is working quickly and thoroughly to properly sanitize all of our buildings and vehicles. Cleaning products recommended for sanitizing surfaces have been distributed throughout the district and are being used to neutralize viral threats. Additionally, ABM will be performing deep clean procedures on all buildings during this closure.

What can students, staff and families do to prevent the disease?

Preventative measures are crucial during this time and following guidelines from the CDC, N.C. Department of Health and Human Services, and the Pender County Health Department are highly recommended. Those measures include:

- Staying home if you are ill and limiting your time in public spaces
- Practice social distancing, which includes keeping 6-feet of space between yourself and other individuals
- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Use an alcohol based hand sanitizer of at least 60 percent if you cannot wash your hands
- Try not to touch your eyes, nose and mouth
- If you have to cough or sneeze, cover your mouth with a tissue or your elbow. Do not use your hands
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces often

Where can I get the latest info on COVID-19?

The latest information from the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services is available online at this address: [CLICK HERE](#). You can also contact the NC COVID-19 hotline at 888-892-1162 or 2-1-1. Also, the CDC has information available online by visiting this page: [CLICK HERE](#).

PENDER COUNTY SCHOOLS LUNCH DISTRIBUTION LOCATIONS

As of March 24, 2020

Location name	Address	Arrival time
Lee's Chapel Baptist Church	7501 NC Hwy 50, Maple Hill	9:33 a.m.
Old Holland's Restaurant	3545 NC Hwy 53, Burgaw	12:20 p.m.
Jordan's Chapel UMC	4670 Stag Park Rd, Burgaw	10:15 a.m.
Pike Creek Church	4285 US Hwy 117, Burgaw	12:50 p.m.
Mt. Holly Baptist Church	5551 US Hwy 117 N, Burgaw	10:18 a.m.
Pender High School	5380 NC Hwy 53, Burgaw	12:47 p.m.
Maple Hill Medical Center	4811 NC Hwy 50, Maple Hill	9:09 a.m.
St. Johns Missionary Baptist Church	801 Webbtown Rd, Maple Hill	12:02 p.m.
Pender Memorial Ball Park	521 S. Smith Street, Burgaw	10:10 a.m.
Forest Hills Baptist Church	2711 Penderlea Hwy, Burgaw	12:24 p.m.
Intersection of Chinaberry Ln and Everette Rd	227 Everette Rd	10:02 a.m.
Rocky Point Campground	14565 Ashton Rd, Rocky Point	12:19 p.m.
Rocky Point Elementary School	255 Rocky Point Elementary School Rd, Rocky Point	10:12 a.m.
Interstate Mobile Home Park	6379 US Hwy 117 South	12:25 p.m.
Cape Fear Middle/Elementary School	1886 NC Hwy 133, Rocky Point	9:55 a.m.
Riley's Creek Baptist Church	19845 NC Hwy 210, Rocky Point	12:21 p.m.
Hills Chapel Baptist Church	2521 Little Kelly Rd, Rocky Point	9:35 a.m.
Herrings Chapel UMC	1697 Herrings Chapel Rd, Rocky Point	12:07 p.m.
Cape Fear Community Fellowship Church	10509 US Hwy 117 S	10:06 a.m.
Victory Baptist Church	12646 US Hwy 117 S, Rocky Point	12:22 p.m.
Rocky Point Baptist Church	50 Porters Lane Rd, Rocky Point	10:03 a.m.
Rocky Point Campground	14565 Ashton Rd, Rocky Point	12:19 p.m.
Lanes Ferry	11016 NC Hwy 210, Rocky Point	10:24 a.m.
Canetuck Community Center	6098 Canetuck Rd, Currie	9:40 a.m.
Moore's Creek Missionary Baptist Church	60 Minuteman Rd, Currie	12:22 p.m.
Old Long Creek School	23190 NC Hwy 210, Rocky Point	9:48 a.m.
Pender EMS Station 29	4815 US Hwy 421, Currie	12:11 p.m.
Atkinson Fire Dept.	110 N. First Ave, Atkinson	9:26 a.m.
Carolina Blueberries	5434 Halfway Branch School Rd, Ivanhoe	12:06 p.m.
AB Grill/Foodmart	17311 US Hwy 421, Willard	9:28 a.m.
Yonder Store	12 Beattys Bridge Rd, Ivanhoe	12:03 p.m.
Kelly's Store	5230 Point Caswell Rd, Atkinson	9:38 a.m.
Bear Branch Church	3167 Blueberry Rd, Currie	12:17 p.m.
Shiloh Fire Dept.	19170 US Hwy 421, Willard	9:33 a.m.
Antioch Church	4620 Willard Rd, Willard	12:14 p.m.
Watha Town Hall	425 Watha Rd, Watha	9:51 a.m.
Coras Grove Church	4875 Coras Grove Rd, Watha	12:16 p.m.
Union Rescue Squad	89 Veach Street, Willard	9:54 a.m.
Peniel Church	6847 Englishtown Rd, Wallace	12:15 p.m.
NC Wolf Sow Farm	44 Englishtown Rd, Willard	10:19 a.m.
Scotts Hill Baptist Church	185 Scotts Hill Loop Rd, Wilmington	9:40 a.m.
Island Creek Missionary Baptist Church	325 Harrison Creek Rd, Rocky Point	12:16 p.m.
South Topsail Elementary	997 Hoover Rd, Hampstead	10:03 a.m.
North Topsail Elementary	1310 Sloop Point Rd, Hampstead	12:21 p.m.
Discovery Childcare	704 NC Hwy 210, Hampstead	10:01 a.m.
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	102 Deerfield Drive, Hampstead	12:22 p.m.
Coastal Fitness Center	98 Quarter Horse Lane, Hampstead	10:00 a.m.

Union Bethel Church	11 Union Bethel Rd, Hampstead	12:21 p.m.
Wal-Mart Surf City	2830 NC Hwy 210 E, Hampstead	10:08 a.m.
Manhollow Missionary Baptist Church	55 Manhollow Church Rd, Hampstead	12:24 p.m.
Barlow Vista Baptist Church	22340 US Hwy 17, Hampstead	9:52 a.m.
Blake Chapel Church	88 Blakes Chapel Rd, Hampstead	12:16 p.m.
Wholesale Tire & Wrecker Service	23111 US Hwy 17, Hampstead	10:20 a.m.
Surf City Baptist Church - The Gathering	304 Wilmington Ave, Surf City	9:26 a.m.
Topsail Beach Town Hall	820 S Anderson Blvd, Topsail Beach	12:03 p.m.