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COVID-19 (Corona Virus) USD 248 District Update

As more people test positive for COVID-19, the health and safety of our students, staff, and community are important to our district.

Many parents and community members have inquired and our administrative team wanted to make sure everyone in our district is informed about our procedures. It will be the policy of the USD 248 school district to remain in school unless we are required to close by the local Board of Education, the Crawford County Health Department, the Kansas Department of Health & Environment, or the Governor of the State of Kansas.

If one of the departments mentioned above closes school because of the coronavirus (14 day minimum), the school has three options:

1. Make up the missed time prior to June 30.
2. Submit a proposal to KSDE for online learning that can be counted as time in school. There are specific requirements on that and will be difficult to meet, according to the Kansas State Commissioner of Education, Dr. Randy Watson.
3. Submit to Dr. Watson and the State Board of Education to waive the legally required number of days and hours that school must be in session.

For full details visit:

[KSDE RELEASE: Kansas Education leaders respond to coronavirus](#)
[KSDE RELEASE: Commissioner of Education Issues Guidance to school districts regarding COVID-19](#)

District Administrators are meeting regularly to consider any plans regarding the current information.