

COVID-19 Update



Optional Learning Resources Only

Per OSPI and VPS guidance, VEA members:

- may *send **optional** learning resources and activities to students and parents.
- *VEA encourages you to do so **during contract hours only, beginning March 25th** (3/23 and 3/24 are non-workdays).
- may *refer students and parents to the **optional** [VPS Online Learning Resources](#), or they may suggest other **optional** ways for parents to keep their children engaged in learning during the closure;
- must state clearly that those learning resources optional and will not be graded or factored into a student's class grades.**
- *VEA encourages you to do so **during contract hours only, beginning March 25th** (3/23 and 3/24 are non-workdays).

VEA and VPS anticipate further guidance from OSPI regarding *online education for students on Monday, March 23rd and will communicate further updates.

*VPS is developing a tentative local plan for online education that may be implemented sometime after spring break, in accordance with OSPI guidelines.

Other COVID-19 Reference Sites:

[Washington State Updates](#), [OSPI Guidance](#),
[VPS Updates](#), [VEA Updates](#), [WEA Updates](#)

Concern re: COVID-19 Symptoms?



If you have concerns about your health or the health of your VPS student, **please contact your physician for medical advice.** The Department of Public Health has established protocols and procedures to notify others who may have been in contact with an infected individual. If you believe there is information that the district needs to share with staff, students, or families, **you may contact the district.** VEA and VPS agree the safety of our members, students, and their respective families is a high priority.



Student/Family Communication

No communication with students or families is required until March 25th, when we begin "working from home." Communication with **students** should only go through **district-approved curriculum platforms or district email.** Communication with parents can go through the same platforms as well. **If you choose to call a parent from your home/cell phone, please dial *67 to protect your number and privacy.**

"Creating a Culture of Well-Being" Webinar

Earn **1.5-2 clock hours** through an online webinar introducing a Resiliency in the School Environment (RISE) tool: a no-cost, evidence-informed suite of online resources that assesses school climates with emphasis on needs of staff. Explore resources and tips to strengthen staff well-being at all levels! **See the attached flyer for times/access details!**