



VEA thanks members and your families for enjoying [Spring Break activities](#) from the safety of your homes.

Consistent with VEA

contract, **March 30-April 3 are non-workdays**. If you are directed by admin to work this week, please ensure you are compensated using Extended Year Days and/or supplemental contract pay at your per diem. This may also include ***volunteers** supporting iPad pick up at VPS elementary sites.

Though you are not required to do so, members can certainly elect to do some work from home in preparation for our “hard launch” of distance learning next week. This type of work would fall under the category of TRI, not qualifying for supplemental pay.

**Volunteers should practice social distancing and other public health measures to maintain safety – [see page 2 of this document for those details.](#)*

Stimulu\$ Package Update from NEA

Friday, the President signed the relief bill into law. It’s not perfect and so much more will be needed, but it addresses many urgent needs of our students, educators, schools, and communities, including:

- an immediate stimulus check for most households, up to \$1,200 per person and \$500 per child;
- a state stabilization fund to help fill expected budget gaps and help prevent educator layoffs;
- expanded unemployment insurance;
- 6-month suspension on federal student loan payments;
- tens of billions of dollars to help prevent greater housing insecurity.

[For a full breakdown of what is included in the stimulus package, please click here to see a summary from our Government Relations team.](#)

iPad Pick-Up

Beginning today, VPS will distribute 3rd and 4th grade iPads and 5th grade iPads not taken home when schools closed. (Please see protocols on page 2) Families can pick up iPads from their home school between 9 AM and 12 PM and 1 PM and 3 PM:



Monday, March 30

- Fruit Valley, Hough, Marshall, Washington, Vancouver Home Connection/Lieser Campus (3rd – 5th grades only)

Tuesday, March 31

- Eisenhower, Franklin, Harney, Hazel Dell, King, Lake Shore, Lincoln, Minnehaha, Ogden, Roosevelt, Sacajawea, Salmon Creek, Truman

Wednesday, April 1

- Anderson, Chinook, Felida, Walnut Grove

ITS is still working to secure devices to make available to K-2 students but may not have them ready to deploy until mid-April.



Due to the rise of coronavirus phishing attacks and hacking campaigns, the VEA encourages members to remain vigilant for emails

posing as CDC and WHO in an effort to steal your sensitive information.

Protect yourself from being a victim of email scams:

- Do NOT open attachments or click links within emails from senders you don't recognize.
- Do NOT provide your username, password, date of birth, social security number, financial data, or other personal information in response to an email or robocall.
- ALWAYS verify the web address of legitimate websites and manually type them into your browser.
- Check for misspellings or wrong domains within a link (eg. an address that should end in a .gov ends in .com).



iPad Pick Up (contd.)

Per the VPS ITS Department:



The protocols that the building Admin will share with all volunteers when they arrive are:

The volunteers checking families in will be standing back from the table (6 ft) asking for name of child and teacher - they will radio for the device.

Another volunteer will retrieve the device from the teacher's cart, wipe it down with disinfectant and bring it to the distribution table - parents will be asked to be 6 ft back from the table and only approach once the volunteer steps back.

Gloves, masks will be provided for our volunteers. Disinfectant will be available to wipe the devices and the table.

There are one time use golf pencils for parents to sign the RUP and the parents put the paper in one box and the pencil in another.

We've also asked there be a sign that reminds people to remain 6 ft from each other and marking on the sidewalk to help them with that expectations.