

Colchester School District

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Colchester Families,

The Colchester School District is committed to strengthening our community by providing healthy and well-balanced meals to children year-round. In response to the closure of all Colchester schools beginning on Wednesday, March 18th, the district has developed a plan to distribute meals to all students who may need them during the closure. Meal deliveries will start tomorrow, Wednesday, March 18th and will run Monday through Friday for as long as school is closed.

The Colchester School District will be using school buses to deliver free lunch along with breakfast items for the next day to all children ages 18 and under, no application or prior approval is needed. Buses will canvas streets and neighborhoods, similar to the normal bus routes when school is in session. Students or their family members will be asked to wait for the meal delivery wherever they normally wait for the bus. Delivery routes including approximate times are at the bottom of this email. This information will be added to our <u>website</u> along with menus for both breakfast and lunch.

In addition to the delivery option, we will also have five stationary meal pick-up locations listed below.

- Colchester High School from 11:00 am 12:00 pm: Grab-and-go meals will be available via the side doors, also known as the gym entrance which is used to vote in public elections.
- Porters Point School from approximately 11:15 am 11:45 am: Meals will be provided via a school bus parked in the parking lot. Drive or walk up to the door of the bus
- Union Memorial School from approximately 11:15 am 11:45 am: Meals will be provided via a school bus parked in the parking lot. Drive or walk up to the door of the bus
- The Fort from approximately 11:15 am 11:45 am: Meals will be provided via a school bus parked in the vicinity of Winchester Place. Drive or walk up to the door of the bus.
- Fire Station at Clay Point from approximately 11:15 am 11:45 am: Meals will be provided via a school bus parked in the parking lot at the Fire Station. Drive or walk up to the door of the bus.

As time passes, we will continue to assess this plan and make changes as needed. We appreciate your patience and flexibility as we work through any hiccups we may encounter. We will communicate any updates as they become available.

Colchester School District Meal Delivery Routes During School Closure

All buses will leave CHS around 10:30. We are unable to publish exact times for every street. Please use the following route description to gauge travel time from the high school to the start of the route to estimate what time the bus will arrive at your location. Families and/or students are asked to wait wherever they normally wait for the bus. Buses will follow their normal protocol and will only travel down roads that they already use when school is in session.

Bus #1: East on Blakely Road from CHS, Blakely Woods, Severance Corners and all roads off from Severance, excluding Mill Pond, ending at the post office at Westbury Park.

Bus #2: West on Blakely to Colchester Point Road, all side roads leading to Mills Point.

Bus #3: East on Blakely to Williams Road developments, then to Mallett's Bay Ave, all side roads leading to Morehouse.

Bus #4: West on Blakely Road from CHS to West Lakeshore, Marble Island, Holy Cross, Porters Point from Colchester Point, Pine Meadow and all side roads.

Bus #5: Main Street to the Essex line and all side streets that intersect with Main Street, including East Road & Mill Pond Road. **The bus will end its route as a stationary pick-up location at Union Memorial School.*

Bus #6: College Parkway to the Fort. *The bus will drive through the Fort and end its route as a stationary pick-up location on Winchester Place.

Bus #7: Route 7 South from Severance Corners to the Winooski line and all side streets in between.

Bus #8: Poor Farm Road, Country Meadows, Creek Farm development/Breezy Acres, Route 7 North to Milton line to Route 2 and all the intersecting streets. *The bus will end its route as a stationary pick-up location at the Fire Station on Clay Point.

Bus #9: Prim Road, Bean Road, Mcrae Road, Hineburg Drive and Porters Point Rd to the school and all the streets that intersect. *The bus will end its route as a stationary pick-up location at Porters Point School.

Bus #10: Shore Acres, Church Road and Porters Point Road and all streets that intersect, including River Road and Red Oak Drive.