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BUFFALO CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT

Updated, Wednesday, April 1, 2020

by Dr. Kriner Cash, Superintendent

FOOD & NUTRITION – 239,378* meals to date and counting

Monday-Wednesday-Friday Pick-up 11:00am to 1:00pm at 28 Community School sites

Meals Picked up Monday, March 30

- 4 meals each for 2X Monday and 2X Tuesday
- 45,782 meals / pick-up & delivery

Meals Picked up Wednesday, April 1

- 4 meals each for 2X Wednesday and 2X Thursday
- 45,512 meals / pick-up & delivery

Anticipated Friday, April 3 meal pick-up: *45,000

Food Service Personnel:

- 142 Food Service Workers
- 112 @ 28 sites
- 30 @ Commissary

VOLUNTEERS for MEAL DISTRIBUTION/DELIVERY – 90 individuals and community groups

- 30+ volunteers dispatched from our commissary (central food preparation center)
- 2 volunteers per car with a zip code routing sheet
- 5,000 meals delivered for Monday, Wednesday, and Friday

Total Meals for week of Monday, 3/30 – 4/3: *135,288

SECURITY

- 28 Security Officers @ 28 sites
- 10 Off-duty Buffalo Police at more highly utilized schools

HEALTH & WELLNESS

- 56 Nurses provided
- 2 each at 28 sites

Community Donations for Food Service and miscellaneous use:

- [Feed More WNY](#) donated 120 food-filled backpacks each for 28 sites
- 5000 Face Masks - Donated by Erie County Executive Mark Poloncarz
- 500 Face Masks and 1000 Medical Gloves - Donated by Drs. Sam and Todd Shatkin (plastic surgeon and dentist respectively)
- 5000 Face Masks on order from Independent Health Foundation
- 2500 individually wrapped hand wipes from WellNow Urgent Care
- 14,000 Disney books donated by The Teacher's Desk
- 12,000 decks of cards donated by Project Play WNY
- School supplies donated by UB School of Social Work, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Read to Succeed, and Afterschool Network of Buffalo

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BUILDING ADMINISTRATION

- 28 Principals
- 1 Principal at each of 28 sites

CLEANING & SANITIZATION

All 28 Foodservice/Healthcare sites are cleaned and sanitized daily before and after operations. All BPS buildings are in a "summer clean" process which includes:

- High area dusting
- Furniture Cleaning and Sanitization with Hospital Grade Disinfectants
- Floor Scrubbing and Sanitization with Hospital Grade Disinfectants
- Restroom Cleaning and Sanitization with Hospital Grade Disinfectants

Current Cleaning Workforce:

- 44 Regular Engineers
- 12 Substitute Engineers
- 250 Full Time Custodians
- 200 Part Time Custodians

CONTINUITY OF INSTRUCTION

Thousands of our teachers continue to work diligently each day with Instructional Technology Coaches for e-teaching skills, which they use to communicate lessons and feedback to their students through prepared learning packets, Schoology and other online platforms. Teachers also communicate on Workplace by Facebook, where they share emerging best practice ideas and tips. BPS teachers and staff have become highly innovative in developing and sharing these best practices as we work together to care for the whole child--from food service, to academics, to the social-emotional welfare of our students. As the Education Bargain clearly describes, we must rely on the full partnership of our parents for the continuity of educational opportunity for all of our children.

The Buffalo Public Schools' team has also developed a technology proposal for Continuity of Instruction. The proposal will be submitted via application for approval of Emergency Smart Schools Bond funding. The request for technology needed to continue our BPS Learning From Home initiative includes the following:

Item	Quantity	Cost
PreK-2 iPads with Case	9,693	\$3,683,340
Student 3-8 iPads with Keyboard	770	\$346,500
Student 9-12 Laptops with Cords	2,000	\$1,264,000
Mobile Hot Spots	28,443	\$2,559,870
Staff Computing Devices	1,553	\$993,920
Computer Peripherals – Keyboards	800	\$79,200
Computer Peripherals – Power Cords	10,000	\$200,000
TOTAL		\$9,126,830

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CHILDCARE

1) The District's Child Care Assistance Plan was officially approved by the Governor's Office on 3/31.

2) Of approximately 800 individuals who opened the child care assistance survey on the BPS homepage, 96 have indicated they are in an essential job per the Governor's Executive Order and need assistance with child care as of 3/31.

3) All 96 have been contacted by our community partner, Child Care Resource Network (CCRN) and offered placement options. On average, a few more parent submissions and contacts are made each day.

4) Say Yes Buffalo and the District are collaborating on further distribution of our survey link to health care providers in Buffalo. The goal is to saturate all hospitals and health care providers with the child care survey link in order to fully reach District and Charter School parents in these essential positions who may need child care assistance

5) A total of 1517 slots (365 ages 0-4; 1152 ages 5+) were available in the area for BPS parents in essential jobs who may need child care as 3/31. There are approximately 400 providers in the region.

6) The District provided all Buffalo Charter Schools with the child care survey link on Tuesday, March 24. Charter School parents who complete the survey and indicate that they are in need of child care placement assistance will be included in our referral lists provided to the Child Care Resource Network (CCRN).

7) Each day, survey results are provided to our partner, CCRN.

Respectfully,

Kriner Cash
Superintendent