



# Santee School District

## SCHOOLS

Cajon Park  
Carlton Hills  
Carlton Oaks  
Chet F. Harritt STEAM  
Hill Creek  
Pepper Drive  
PRIDE Academy  
at Prospect Avenue  
Rio Seco  
Sycamore Canyon  
Alternative  
Success Program

## SCHOOL CLOSURE UPDATE

April 8, 2020

Dear Santee School District Families,

We hope this update finds you and your family healthy and safe. As promised in our last letter on March 31, we will launch our remote learning plan on Monday, April 13, and this plan will continue until returning to school has been deemed safe for everyone. We are very hopeful that if each of us continues to do our part in practicing social distancing by staying at home, allowing sufficient space between us, and wearing facial protection as recommended, we will be able to return to our schools before June 10. We haven't given up that hope and we hope you haven't either.

There are many processes that we have put in place during the last few weeks that will help us all work together, albeit remotely.

1. Page 2 of this letter outlines **Santee School District's Remote Learning Program**. This page outlines, very specifically, how to access learning content for the next two weeks. We have provided two weeks of content to you and your student's teacher so you can all learn how to work and communicate remotely before your student's teacher launches his/her own instructional program. Your student's teacher will be working with you to support student access to grade level content and to provide your student with feedback on their learning throughout our closure period this school year.
2. Page 3 of this letter outlines the **iPad pick-up procedure for Monday, April 13**. This page will only be applicable to those who requested pick-up of their child's iPad through the student technology needs survey.
3. **Student meals** will continue to be provided to our students until further notice. Meals may be picked up from 9880 Riverwalk Drive, Monday - Friday, 11 - 1 p.m. As of Tuesday, April 14, meals may also be picked up from PRIDE Academy School, 9303 Prospect Avenue, Santee, Monday - Friday, 11 - 12:30 p.m.

As our partners in education, we need you now more than ever. This is new for all of us and there are sure to be challenges along the way. Please continue to reach out to your child's teacher and principal with any questions.

Sincerely,

Dustin Burns, President  
Board of Education

Kristin Baranski, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

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# REMOTE LEARNING PROGRAM

Immediately after spring break, on April 13, Santee School District will launch an updated, remote online learning program that will include more interaction with teachers, as well as additional supports for students and parents.

During this initial, two-week launch, teachers will begin working with their students remotely. Also during this initial launch, teachers will be learning how to connect with their students through this new, remote format. We will also use this time to identify any students who require additional resources to be successful with remote learning.

## Learning Resources for April 13 – April 24: Transitioning to Remote Learning

- Instructional continuity learning materials will be available on your child's iPad. You can [click here](#) for directions on how to access materials on the iPad.
- If your child is not using his/her District-issued iPad, you will be able to access these same resources on the Instructional Continuity Learning Plan website at: <https://sites.google.com/view/ssd-learning-options/home>
- There will be a printed option for those unable to access these digital resources. Printed materials can be found in grade level bins for pickup at the Educational Resources Center, 9619 Cuyamaca Street, Santee, CA 92071.
- For any curriculum questions use [studentsupport@santeesd.net](mailto:studentsupport@santeesd.net).

## Technology Needs for Remote, Online Learning:

- On April 13, we will be distributing iPads to parents who requested the iPad through the student technology needs survey. **See the next page for additional information regarding April 13's iPad distribution day.** Parents who had not previously purchased [iPad insurance](#) may now purchase this insurance through April 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Students do not need to have their District-issued iPad to receive lessons from their teacher. Any Internet connected computer, tablet, or cell phone will work.

## Technology Support:

We have assembled a team to provide technical support for our families. Many problems can be solved by reaching out to your teachers. For more advanced technical support and device issues, please complete the [Tech Support Request Form](#). Our parent and student tech support team can assist you with the district issued iPad and district account issues. Please contact your internet service provider for issues related to your home internet service.

## Wireless Internet:

There are many options that now exist for families to receive [free and reduced-priced wireless internet](#).

# iPAD DISTRIBUTION PROCESS

If you requested your child's iPad through the District's student technology needs survey, please come to your child's school on **Monday, April 13 from 2 – 5 p.m.** for pickup.

1. Please place the following information on a piece of paper and place this paper on your car's dashboard as you drive up through the school's parking lot:

Child(ren's) Name(s)

Child(ren's) Teachers' Name(s)

Grade Level(s)

2. Staff will be in the school's parking lot to distribute the iPads. They will come to you through a "curbside service". Please do not get out of the car. Some schools will be distributing as many as 180 iPads so please be patient during the process.
3. Parents who are unable to pick-up the iPad on Monday, April 13 from 2 – 5 p.m. or who were late in completing the student technology survey may pick up the iPad at Educational Services on Wednesday, April 15 from 9 – 12 p.m., 9619 Cuyamaca Street. This will also be a curbside service so please do not get out of your car. Please follow the same procedure noted in #1 above.