

JISD Update
3/13/2020
4:00 pm

This afternoon the University Interscholastic League (UIL) sent out the following announcement:

To support the health and safety of our students and communities, UIL is suspending all UIL sanctioned contests due to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) in Texas. Effective March 16th, all UIL interscholastic competition is suspended until March 29th. At this time, competitions may resume on March 30th. We are in contact with state authorities and will continue to monitor this situation. Should further adjustments be necessary, we will communicate them to you as soon as they are available.

During this time competitions are suspended, practices and rehearsals may be held at the discretion of the local school district.

At this time, we plan to continue to work to complete all of the state championship competitions that have not been completed. With school closure information continuing to change, please be patient as this is a very fluid situation. Again, we understand further adjustments may be necessary.

So beginning Monday all UIL games and contests will be suspended until March 29th. Also, JISD is suspending all nonessential travel out of the district for students and staff for the same time period. This includes field trips and workshops. At this time, after school practices will still be held.

JISD continues to be in contact with our Local Health Department and County Judge and **at this time** there are **no** confirmed cases of COVID-19/Coronavirus.

If we receive notification of a presumed positive or confirmed case in our county we will re-evaluate our situation follow guidance from local and state health and emergency officials.

As we receive information we will pass it along. We remain in contact with the Texas Commissioner of Education as well as all Region 5 superintendents and will make an informed decision based on factual information. We are participating in conference calls 7 days a week to keep up with the latest information. We will continue to seek guidance from local and state health and emergency officials.

As always, our focus is to ensure the safety of all students and staff. Again we are constantly monitoring the situation and taking our proactive approaches to this matter. Our focus is to ensure the safety of all students and staff.

Sincerely,

Dr. Steve Hyden

Superintendent of Schools

John Seybold

Director of Operations