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All CPS Schools to Offer Free Meals for Pick Up During Closure Beginning Tuesday, March 17

Important Information for Families Families Can Pick Up Free Meals Outside of <u>ALL</u> CPS District Schools During the Closure

CHICAGO – Following the school closure mandate issued by Governor JB Pritzker Chicago Public Schools (CPS) will close beginning Tuesday, March 17. During the closure, <u>all CPS schools will offer free meals for pick up</u>. Important information for families can be found below:

WHAT: Free meals for all CPS students outside of all CPS school locations.

WHEN:

• <u>Beginning Tuesday, March 17</u> through the closure, between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m, Monday through Friday.

WHERE:

- <u>ALL CPS district schools</u> will offer free meals for students.
 - Select charter school locations will also offer meals
- Families can pick up meals outside of their nearest CPS school they **DO NOT** need to pick up meals at their school of attendance.
 - Any student (district school, charter school, options school, etc.) can access meals at the location that's closest to them.
- Families can find their nearest CPS school at <u>CPS.edu/map</u>.

DETAILS ON MEALS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Each child in the household will receive a food bag which will contain three days of breakfast and lunch meals.
- Enrichment activity packets will also be available for pick up at these locations.

UPDATES AND CONTACT:

- For additional information and the latest updates, families should visit cps.edu/coronavirus.
- Families with questions about meals and other family services can call the CPS Command Center at 773-553-KIDS (5437) between 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or email <u>familyservices@cps.edu</u>.

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