

As the pandemic still has a hold on our way of life, we often need to take into consideration our neighbors, families, and friends when it comes to supporting the needs of those around us more than our own personal wants and desires. Such is the situation for the next four school days (November 4th-9th) as the Poplar Schools will be shut down for regular instruction to help slow the rise in covid positive cases.

The Poplar Schools' Emergency Operations Team and the local tribal leaders met on Wednesday, November 3rd. The EOT decided to work with the recommendation from the Fort Peck Tribes to shut down regular operation of school. The school board will decide further actions at the Regular Board Meeting on Monday, November 8th. The School Board will decide to accept, deny, or alter the decision made by the EOT. We want to ensure that your child's safety and education are our #1 priority during the pandemic. After the board meeting on Monday, November 8th, we will know more details with moving forward and how that will look. The only information we know as of now is that we are in a remote status for the dates listed above (Nov. 4th-9th).

Each building is at a different point of readiness for a complete remote status. With that being the case, and the suddenness of the district's immediate actions, students and staff are being asked to prepare for any upcoming situation that may transpire. Over the next four days high school students will be allowed to enter the building to secure Chromebooks and other study items. Middle school students will have the same opportunity starting Friday, November 5th. Elementary students will wait to be contacted by their home room teachers before any action is taken.

Please continue to look at the Poplar Schools website, Facebook page, social media, local news, and radio for further details. Please feel free to contact the District Office by phone (406.768.6600) or e-mail (dan.schmidt@poplarschools.com) with any questions or concerns.