

Some Reminders supplied from SI Federation of PTAs

Information on Remote Learning

New York City public schools are launching remote learning for all students on Monday, March 23, 2020! Remote learning allows teachers to deliver their lessons online, and students can complete assignments, projects, and assessments just like they would in the classroom.

Remote learning both creates an opportunity for students and teachers to interact online and allows students to continue learning subjects and material that are a key part of their curriculum.

Does your student need a device for remote learning? [Fill out this survey\(Open external link\)](#) as soon as possible.

Free Meals

The New York City Department of Education is committed to making three free meals available daily for all NYC children.

- Beginning March 23, meals will be distributed at more than 400 sites across the city.
- Three meals a day, including breakfast, will be available to all NYC children
- Monday through Friday 7:30 am to 1:30 pm at locations across the city.
- Use our site lookup tool to find a location near you!
- [Find a Free Meal Location \(Open external link\)](#)

How to Pick Up a Meal

- No registration, ID, or documentation required.
- All three meals a day may be picked up at the same time.
- No dining space is available, so meals must be eaten off premises.
- Parents and guardians may pick up meals for their children.

See what is on the menu for free [breakfast\(Open external link\)](#) and [lunch\(Open external link\)](#) this month.

Dates, locations, and menus are subject to change.

Regional Enrichment Centers

In order to successfully fight COVID-19, our first responders, health care providers, transit workers, and other key personnel must be able to come to work. That is why we have created Regional Enrichment Centers—places where the children of these front-line workers can be safely cared for while their parents continue to serve the city in this time of need.

Staffed by DOE employees and community-based organization partners, the centers will provide children with three daily hot meals, remote learning time with their teachers, activities like art, music, and physical education, and social and emotional support.

Beginning Monday, March 23, Regional Enrichment Centers are opening across every borough, with at least two sites in every school district.

Eligibility and Enrollment

The DOE has been reaching out to other City agencies, unions, and partner organizations to help identify and contact families of first responders, health care workers, and key transit employees who will need to send their children to the Regional Enrichment Centers.

With these partners, we are working to alert families about this opportunity and to help register the children for a site near their home. If you think you might be eligible to send your child to a center near you, please complete this survey:

- [Enroll in a REC\(Open external link\)](#)
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Center Hours and Activities

- Regional Enrichment Centers will be open from Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 6:00 pm
- Each room will have a maximum of 12 children, supported by at least one adult; this size will both allow for personalized attention and will meet social distancing needs
- Children will have the opportunity to participate in remote learning with their regular school, as is the case for all NYC public school students
- Children will also have opportunities to engage in art, music, and physical education
- The environment will be safe and supportive, and staff will be prepared to respond to children's social and emotional needs
- Children will be offered a site based on their home address and their parent or caregiver's role in providing essential services
- Students will be asked each day to bring a device they can use for remote learning if one is available to them.

Sign up to Work at a Center

If you are an NYC DOE staff interested in volunteering to work at a Regional Enrichment Center to support the families of those who do so much to make all of us safer, please [complete this survey to volunteer](#).