

playing on this equipment. The second safety issue is social distancing. Children are enjoying getting outside and playing with their friends. We have not closed our basketball courts, but ask that you have your children use these courts to play “cow” or “horse” instead of basketball. Basketball is a contact sport. Shooting baskets in the games of cow or horse allows the players to maintain the social distance recommended by the president. We understand that these decisions are difficult, but are asking for your patience, understanding, cooperation and support during this crisis. These actions are designed to reduce the number of people that catch the coronavirus and to reduce the demand on the health care providers in our community.

Meals

This week was the first week of meal delivery and meal pickup. Participation in these options increased each day. Students received one breakfast and one lunch each day with the daily average reaching just over 800 students per day. Meals were delivered by buses and students were able to pick-up meals at the middle school every day between 10 am to noon. A second pick-up site was added at Trinity United Methodist Church from 5 pm to 7 pm. Next week we plan to operate using this same schedule. The district will be going on spring break at the end of the day on April 3rd. We are currently planning on continuing pick-up services at both the middle school and Trinity United Methodist Church during spring break, with no bus delivery services. These plans are still being developed, so please watch for an announcement next week with more details about how this will work.

We are all working to get through this together and understand that this homebased instructional delivery system is new and that it has some things that might need adjusted. Please work with your children’s teacher(s) and let them know the questions you have and the type of help your children need. We will do our best to provide the needed supports to the teachers and to you and your children.