

Meals to be served during Atchison school closure

(KAIR)--Atchison children are being provided with meals as USD 409 remains closed due to COVID-19.

Local area school closings followed recommendations made Sunday by Kansas officials.

Beginning Tuesday, March 17, a non-congregate school meals program is being made available for any person 1 to 18-years-old.

One breakfast and one lunch will be provided per visible child. Meals will be received drive-through style at several Atchison locations from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. weekdays.

According to a release from USD 409 Superintendent Renee Scott, those Atchison locations are the Atchison Elementary School back parking lot, the Atchison Middle School teacher parking lot, the First Assembly of God Church parking lot, and the Saint Benedict Catholic School parking lot.

In the event of additional school closures, more locations may be added.

According to Scott, each day there will be a lunch provided for that day and a breakfast item provided for the following morning, meaning two meals per pick-up per student.

Scott told MSC News the meal distribution is made possible through a state waiver allowing meals to still be provided despite schools remaining closed.

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