



Ligonier Valley School District

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Office of the Superintendent

September 3, 2026

Re: LVSD School Closure – Tuesday, September 8, 2026

Dear Ligonier Valley Families,

I am writing to provide families with an early update regarding the Ligonier Valley School District schedule as we approach the Labor Day holiday weekend and continue our ongoing remediation and assessment efforts.

All Ligonier Valley School District schools will be closed on Tuesday, September 8, 2026. This will be a closed day for the District and will not be a remote instruction day.

The District administration and Board of School Directors recognize the challenges that remote learning can create for students, families, and staff. With those considerations in mind, and in an effort to provide families with as much advance notice as possible for planning purposes, the decision was made to extend the holiday weekend through Tuesday.

Remediation, testing, and professional assessment of our facilities remain ongoing. The District continues to work closely with our remediation professionals, testing providers, and environmental consultant as we evaluate the condition of our buildings and determine the appropriate next steps.

As previously communicated, the health and safety of our students and employees remain our highest priority. We will continue to rely on the results of testing, completion of any necessary remediation, and the guidance of qualified environmental professionals as decisions are made regarding the return to in-person instruction.

We understand that changes to the school calendar create challenges for families, particularly with work schedules, childcare arrangements, transportation, and other responsibilities. Providing this information before the holiday weekend is intended to give families additional time to make the necessary arrangements for Tuesday, September 8.

If further amendments to the school schedule are necessary as we await the completion of remediation work and additional assessment, the District will communicate those changes as soon as sufficient information is available. The make-up date for the missed instructional day on Tuesday, September 8 has not yet been determined and will be a decision of the Board of School

Directors. We recognize the importance of timely communication and will continue to provide updates as this process moves forward.

On behalf of the Board of School Directors and District administration, thank you for your continued patience, flexibility, and understanding. We recognize the disruption these circumstances have caused, and we are grateful for the cooperation and support of our families, staff, and community as we work to ensure a safe environment for our students and employees.

We also remain grateful to our maintenance personnel, staff, environmental professionals, testing personnel, and remediation contractors for their continued efforts on behalf of the Ligonier Valley School District.

As always, if you have questions or would like to discuss this matter further, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M Mols', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Matthew Mols