

GRPS Schools Impacted by City Water Emergency

Team GRPS —

As many of you are aware, there is a water emergency occurring in the City of Grand Rapids caused by a water main break. This has prompted city leaders to put a boil water advisory in place for a large portion of the city. The attached map shows the area included in the boil water advisory.

This impacts a number of our schools and sites — all northeast side schools, and a few on the southeast side. Here is the list of impacted buildings:

- Aberdeen Elementary
- Center for Economicology
- City High Middle
- Coit Creative Arts Academy
- Congress Elementary
- East Leonard Elementary
- Gerald R. Ford Academic Center
- Grand Rapids Learning Center
- Grand Rapids Montessori Academy
- Grand Rapids Montessori Middle High
- Grand Rapids Public Museum High School
- Grand Rapids UPrep
- Innovation Central High School
- Kent Hills Elementary
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy
- North Park Montessori | Wellerwood
- Palmer Elementary
- Riverside Middle School
- GRPS Nutrition Services Building
- GRPS Facilities & Operations Building
- GRPS University

MONDAY:

GRPS is closed to students Monday for a regularly scheduled staff in-service day. Staff may report to those buildings as needed to gather belongings, if necessary, but all meetings in school buildings should be shifted to virtual. Security staff and the professional development team will still hold planned sessions face-to-face at GRPS University.



For anyone who does come into the impacted buildings listed above: You should not drink the water from any faucets or drinking fountains. If you utilize the water to wash your hands, you should then use hand sanitizer afterward. The water should not be used at all for food or beverage preparation including coffee preparation or the washing of fruits / vegetables.

Facilities and nutrition services staff should report to work — bottled water will be provided for team members as needed.

TUESDAY:

A decision regarding school for Tuesday will be made and communicated before the close of business on Monday. There is a possibility that the water emergency could impact school on Wednesday as well. We will be staying in close contact with our partners at the city and advise our staff and families as we make decisions.

If you have questions, please contact your immediate supervisor for guidance.

Thank you for your patience as we navigate this situation.

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*Editor's note: This letter was modified at 8 a.m. Monday to indicate that professional development at GRPS University would go on as scheduled face-to-face.









Water Advisory Area

