

Pinal County Schools
Mary C. O'Brien Elementary

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Mary C. O'Brien Elementary School is ***closed through the remainder of the school year*** per direction from Governor Ducey. MCOB will continue to provide ***general education opportunities*** to our students. Assignments will be posted on the Teacher Webpages found at www.mcobstudentnews.com. **Hard copies will be delivered each Monday.** The first work pickup is scheduled for Thursday, April 9. ***Please leave your child's work in the provided folder at the front door on April 9 at 8:00 a.m. for staff pickup.***

There are many questions about the school closure's impact on students. Below are some of the most frequently asked questions relating to the school closure.

- 1) ***Will the school days need to be made up?*** No, if MCOB continues to provide general education opportunities, the school days will not need to be made up later.
- 2) ***Will students be retained due to the school closure?*** No, students will not be retained as a result of the school closure. MCOB will continue to provide general education opportunities to help students maintain skills and get exposure to new material to prepare students for the next grade level.
- 3) ***Will Summer School take place?*** MCOB cannot say at this time whether summer school will be offered. MCOB will follow guidance from ADE about when students may safely return to the building for instruction.
- 4) ***What will happen with End of Year Celebrations?*** MCOB is deeply saddened that our students will not be recognized as usual at the end of the year for Honor Roll and Promotion. We are considering alternative celebrations that respect the school closure and social distancing. More information on alternatives will come.

Feel free to call the main office at 520-450-4400 with additional questions. Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,



Lisa Raymond, Principal