

PRESS RELEASE

To continue to guard against the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) in our community, the Center for Disease Control, Yancey County Sheriffs Department, Fire Chiefs, and school officials strongly urge all parents to temporarily stop playdates, sleepovers, contact sports and activities with other children during the period that Yancey County Schools are closed. Though it is natural for children to think of this temporary school closure as a vacation day, this situation is much different than a routine closure.

As parents, we understand how challenging social distancing can be for children and families, but we must urge all citizens to do their part to help slow the spread of this disease to those who are most vulnerable. Parents are asked to encourage their children to play in their backyards with siblings, ride their bikes, or take walks as a family.

All Yancey County citizens, including our children, have an important role to play in fighting COVID-19 and saving lives.