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Summer meals sites close at Paige and Port Houston, reopen at Oates

June 15, 2020 – Two curbside summer meals sites will be closed from June 15 to June 29, following a confirmed case of the COVID-19 virus.

Paige and Port Houston elementary schools will be deep-cleaned and sanitized during the temporary closures.

Impacted employees have been notified and are now in self-quarantine in accordance with public health guidelines. Health authorities do not believe families participating in the curbside summer meals program were exposed.

The two sites are the latest in a handful of recent closures due to COVID exposures and facility issues.

Bastian, Foster, Shearn, Thompson, Whidby, and Oates elementary schools were temporarily closed for deep cleaning and sanitization due to a confirmed case of COVID-19. Oates has since reopened, and Bastian is slated to reopen on Monday, June 22. The remaining four schools are slated to open on Thursday, June 18.

Additionally, R. P. Harris and Nathaniel Q. Henderson elementary schools remain closed while facility issues are resolved. Harris is expected to reopen on Thursday, June 18, but Henderson remains closed until further notice.

During temporary closures, families in need are encouraged to visit one of the district's 62 other curbside summer meals sites scheduled to be open. A complete list is available [here](#).

Families also can go to houstonfoodbank.org for a list of the 250 open partner sites and other COVID-19 resources available across greater Houston.

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