

## **March 30, 2020 - EVIT Update – Closure Through End of School Year**

Today, Gov. Doug Ducey and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Kathy Hoffman closed Arizona's public schools through the end of the school year. While we are disappointed that our students will not be able to return to our campus, we know it is the right decision and we remain committed to preparing students through online learning opportunities to test for certifications and licenses, develop portfolios of their work and resumes to help obtain employment or go on to college.

In the next few days, we will be sending parents and students more information regarding:

- Possible postponement of the EVIT Completion Ceremony. We would still very much like to have an opportunity to celebrate our students' accomplishments, so we are weighing possible options.
- How students can retrieve personal belongings they may have left at EVIT. Over the next several weeks, we will begin creating windows of opportunity for students to retrieve their items on campus.
- How students will be able to test for industry certifications. We will create summer opportunities for students to complete needed hours for certification testing as well as refunding certification fees should students not be able to test.
- How dual enrollment college credit will be handled. It is our current understanding that our community college partners are working with us to ensure dual enrollment credits are awarded. We will inform parents should this change.

As more questions come up in the coming days, parents and students should feel free to contact EVIT Superintendent Dr. Chad Wilson directly ([cwilson@evit.com](mailto:cwilson@evit.com)) and together we will work to meet your needs.

Finally, at EVIT we believe we change lives by loving our students and serving our communities, so please let us know if you and your family are in need. We have relationships across the Valley and would be happy to help.