

WHAT	Sarasota County Beach Closures	
WHO	Sarasota County staff	
WHY	To protect employees, their families and the community during COVID-19 outbreak	
WHERE	All Sarasota County Beaches and Accesses	
WHEN	Saturday, March 21, 2020 at 6am until further notice	
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MORE INFO	When will the beaches close? All of the Sarasota County public beaches including parking lots will be closed as of 6am March 21 st .	
	How long will the beaches be closed? This is a fluid situation that Sarasota County is constantly evaluating and will alert the community when the beaches will be reopened.	
	Are the beach concessions open? All Sarasota County beach concessions will be closed beginning March 21 st .	
	Are the beach playgrounds open? No, however, we have many other playgrounds throughout our parks in the county.	
	Can we walk, run or cycle on the beach? All access to Sarasota County beaches are closed.	
	Can we access the beach by boat? No, all Sarasota County beaches are closed until further notice.	
	Can we setup chairs and/or towels on the beach? No, all Sarasota County beaches are closed and if you do so you will politely be asked to leave.	
	Can we swim on the beach? No. Sarasota County Lifeguards will be flying the double red flags on all of the Lifeguard stands indicating no swimming.	
	Can Sarasota County Beach property owners access their private portion of the beach? If they do, we recommend following the current CDC guidelines limiting groups to 10 people or less and groups remaining at least 6 feet apart.	
	So what's going to happen tomorrow?	

All of the Sarasota County public beaches including parking lots will be closed as of 6am March 21st.

Will law enforcement be patrolling?

Yes, as well as Sarasota County lifeguards and beach staff.

Will the Siesta Breeze trolley still be operating?

No. Service has been temporarily suspended beginning March 21st.

Will SCAT buses be providing service to Siesta?

Route 33 and the Siesta Breeze trolley are temporarily suspended beginning March 21st. Please check SCAT bus schedule for other bus route modifications.

Can I park along the roadways and access the beach?

No, Sarasota County public beaches and parking lots are closed beginning at 6am March 21st.

Are boat ramps open?

All of Sarasota County motorized boat ramps are open at this time.

Are the Siesta tennis and pickleball courts open?

The courts will be available for use.