

March 12, 2020

Elmbrook Families,

This morning Governor Evers declared a Public Health Emergency for the State of Wisconsin and called upon the people of Wisconsin to work aggressively to slow the spread of COVID-19. We take this responsibility seriously, as we consider the impact of our decisions on students and their learning, our families and staff and their personal and professional responsibilities, and the greater Elmbrook Community. As we learn from others' experiences with COVID-19 both across the country and around the world, we want to answer one question with confidence; 'Are we doing all that we can to keep our students, staff members, and community safe?'

Beginning on Monday, March 16th - Friday, March 20th, all Elmbrook Schools will move to virtual learning and no students will report to school. Spring break will continue as planned from March 23-27. Any plans for school after spring break will be determined in the coming days.

School **will be** in session on Friday, March 13th, and our teachers are being encouraged to use this time together with students to review the week ahead and the resources that will be used to guide and direct learning. Our virtual learning plan for all grades (K-12) can be found here (LINK) and will guide student work and teacher interaction.

The Burleigh 5th grade musical performances scheduled for Friday, March 13th have been postponed to a later date, and the District Solo and Ensemble Competition at Brookfield East on Saturday has been canceled. The WIAA is guiding all post-season competitions, including limiting tonight's East-Central boys basketball game to less than 245 people. Changes to co-curricular events such as spring sport practices will be communicated on Friday, March 13th.

While away from school, we strongly encourage families to follow the guidance and recommendations provided by the CDC regarding <u>safe hygiene</u> and <u>travel</u>. Students and staff who travel to any Level 2 or Level 3 country, or any area in the United States with a significant outbreak, may be asked to self-quarantine for 14 days before returning to school or work.

The Elmbrook Schools will be distributing lunches every weekday at two school sites to students who qualify for free or reduced lunch. Additional information about meal pick-up will be shared with families on March 13th.

We recognize the significant burden this places on our families and community, but feel this is the right thing to do in response to an unprecedented health crisis. We will continue to stay in conversation with county and state officials, to ensure that we play an active role in combating COVID-19.

Please check the <u>Coronavirus 2019 webpage</u> for new information.

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