



March 12, 2020

Dear District 95 Families and Staff,

As you know, yesterday the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the Coronavirus COVID-19 a worldwide pandemic. Guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) is now advising that schools should consider adjusting or postponing large gatherings/activities that mix between classes and grades.

In preparation for the possibility of a school closure, all district students and staff must bring home all of their district issued devices (laptop, iPad, etc) and chargers today. In the event that we are instructed to close schools, everyone must be prepared by having their electronic devices at home.

In an abundance of caution, as Coronavirus COVID-19 becomes more prevalent in our area, we have made the decision to cancel all activities except school and before-school/after-school daycare, effective immediately.

This includes all field trips (including Taft for May Whitney), athletic competitions and practices, concerts, rentals, meetings, outside groups, and all other activities through March 29th, 2020.

In this time of uncertainty, it is very important that parents remain calm and reassuring for their children. Please consider using this [social story](#) to help you discuss the Coronavirus in an appropriate manner with your children.

Thank you for your flexibility and understanding as information continues to change on a continual basis. I continue to be grateful for the support of the community.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kelley Gallt
Superintendent