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Dear District 66 Community,

We want to continue giving you updates, as we take proactive measures regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19) and its potential impact on school communities. As Spring Break approaches, we are reminding all students, staff, and faculty, that if traveling to any area listed on the CDC Travel Advisories [with a Level 2 or above Travel Notice](#) that those individuals are asked to stay home and self-quarantine for 14 days following their return.

As communicated yesterday, all outside group activities, competitions, and performances are canceled until further notice. We will evaluate whether or not these performances and events can be rescheduled at a later time or held in virtual format.

District 66 continues to monitor COVID-19 recommendations for schools. Please know that we are developing plans to ensure that we can respond quickly if we need to close for an extended period. We expect that we could use e-learning for a short term cancellation, similar to snow days. In the event an e-learning day is called, an email will go out to families directly from the school principals including links and instructions. We will follow guidance from the state if we experience a long-term shutdown.

We will continue to update you as we get new information. Updated information and important resource links are also available on our [website](#). Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

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District 66 Interim Superintendents

Prevention is Key:

- Students and staff are advised to stay home if they are ill, until they remain fever-free for at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication.
- We are continuing our cleaning and disinfecting procedures, paying special attention to door handles, desktops, computer keyboards, and drinking fountains.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash. Wash your hands following the use of a tissue.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.