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Dear Elida Parents/Guardians and Families

Thank you to everyone for your patience during this challenging time. We recognize the significant impact the extended closure will have on our community, students, families, and staff. While the classrooms may be empty, our work on behalf of children continues. Our staff is deeply committed to our students and the district will do our best during these challenging times. We are also committed to keeping you updated with information as soon as it become available.

As a reminder, Elida Schools will be closed for the next 3 weeks beginning Monday morning. Staff will report on Monday for professional development, training, and preparation of online learning through Schoology. Students will begin taking online lessons on Wednesday. Initially, the lessons may be rather short but we expect that will change as staff are more comfortable with this platform. A link for Schoology has been established on the left side of the school website for students to easily find. Any families who do not have online access through computer or phone, should call their child's building to report this so that arrangements can be made. Building office hours will remain unchanged next week.

All other school activities - sports, musical, practices, meetings, etc. are postponed for this three-week time period.

There are still questions that remain regarding state testing, 3rd grade reading guarantee, spring break schedule, providing breakfast/lunch, Washington D.C. trip, Italy trip, etc. We will address those questions when we have more direction provided to us.

Please help us by making sure your child or children are logging in to Schoology daily and completing their work. If they have questions they can easily message their teacher by clicking on the email icon in the upper right-hand corner of their Schoology screen.

Your patience, cooperation, and understanding during this time of transition is truly appreciated. It is still our goal to provide students with learning opportunities.

Thank you,

Joel Mengerink
Superintendent