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Dear Elgin Community,

Yesterday afternoon Governor DeWine held a press conference regarding the Coronavirus (aka Covid-19). Governor DeWine stated 'We shouldn't panic, but we should take rational actions to protect ourselves, our loved ones, and others. This is an opportunity for us to come together as Ohioans.' Marion Public Health and the Ohio Department of Health have provided guidance about mass gatherings. This information is as up to date as we currently have. Please be aware that Marion Public Health, the Ohio Department of Health and Governor DeWine may issue additional guidance.

In an effort to demonstrate an abundance of caution, in line with the Governor's recommendations, we wanted to share information specific to our district with our staff, families and community. At this time the Governor is not calling for K-12 schools to close. However, as of today, Thursday, March 12, leadership in all Marion County school districts have made decisions to address events happening throughout Marion County. We are taking precautions by postponing, cancelling or rescheduling indoor events throughout Marion County until further notice. Governor DeWine stated 'What we are seeing with COVID19 is predictable, and we have the ability to control risk. Everything in life involves risks, but we should not take unnecessary risks.'

The district will send out more information as it becomes available. Information will be sent via All Call, e-mails, Dojo, the website and social media. These decisions are not easy. I, our administrative team and the Board of Education will continue to communicate about the extremely difficult situation and appreciate the unwavering support of our community as this crisis unfolds.

Yours In Education,

Mr. Lane Warner
Superintendent, Elgin Local Schools

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