



MONROE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #70

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Monroe Parents:

Information on the Coronavirus (COVID-19) changes frequently. Today our 8th regional championship game was suspended by the IESA, our Solo and Ensemble Contest at ICC cancelled for tomorrow night, and our incentive to the March Madness experience at the Civic Center for our 5-8 students was cancelled for tomorrow by the IHSA. All cancellations were a decision not made by Monroe.

As we continue into next week and closer to spring break I wanted to communicate some expectations. At this time Monroe intends to continue with activities unless dictated otherwise by others. This includes our regular school day, after school programs, and extra-curricular activities. If there is a direct diagnosis linked to Monroe by the Peoria County Health Department that determination will change.

The health and welfare of students and staff is always our priority. Please understand that if you or your child have any of the following symptoms; runny nose, sore throat, cough, fever, and in some cases difficulty breathing then they should see a medical professional. As a reminder, a student should be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school.

As a parent, if the threat of COVID – 19 continues to spread you have the right to keep your child home or exempt them from extra-curricular participation. The absence will be excused but make up work will be given and expected to be completed. We are hopeful that Monroe families or students will not be directly impacted making the decision to remain in session much easier. We do have some contingency plans in place if a school closure is necessary including make-up days built into the calendar (snow days), at-home learning days, or a combination of both.

Sincerely,

Dr. Darrick Reiley
Superintendent