



**ELWOOD COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT #203**

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Dear Elwood School Parents/Guardians,

I hope this message finds you and your families safe and well. On March 31, 2020, Illinois Governor J. B. Pritzker announced that remote learning will be extended through April 30<sup>th</sup> in order to slow down the spread of COVID-19.

Therefore, during the month of April, on-site learning will remain suspended, but our school's commitment to learning and education will remain open and learning will continue for all students through a different format, remote learning.

While it is not ideal, we want to assure you that at Elwood School, our teachers and staff are fully engaged and willing to take on this new challenge and push forward with remote learning and engaging each student daily.

During this remote learning time, the Illinois State Board of Education has allowed school districts to implement remote learning planning days with our teachers and staff. We will take a remote learning planning day on April 9<sup>th</sup>. That means your child has no school obligations on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Remote learning will start up again on April 14<sup>th</sup>. New learning plans for students will be sent out by the teachers on April 14<sup>th</sup> along with availability for new packet pick up for primary grades (K-2) and any other grade level that a parent prefers a hard packet instead of their student working online.

As it stands now, per the Governor, remote learning will end April 30<sup>th</sup>. We will take May 1<sup>st</sup> as a teacher planning day for teachers to come back in district and plan for the students to return on Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. This doesn't impact our last day of school. The last day of student attendance is still Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup> with a 1:30 p.m. dismissal.

I know this is not the school year that any of us imagined, but I want to thank you for your patience and understanding as we have dealt with this unprecedented situation together. It's important we continue to work together and support our students. Thanks again.

Yours in education,

Cathie Pezanoski