

Friday, March 13

Updates for La Farge Families re: COVID-19 Response

Hello La Farge Families,

Here are a few additional updates.

Student Related Travel

- All field trips outside of Vernon County or held regionally will be cancelled through April 3. *We will revisit after our scheduled spring break.*
- Athletic events outside of local practices are cancelled through March 21. *We will revisit next week.*

Event Cancellations

At this time, events through March 29 have been cancelled. These include:

- Pops/Jazz @ Westby
- Modern Woodmen Speeches
- UW-Platteville CDE
- Middle School Drama Performances

At this time, we will take things on a week by week basis.

Personal Travel- Spring Break and Other

Public health policy is focused on slowing the transmission of this virus so that those that will need treatment can receive it.

The School District of La Farge is following the guidance of the Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

- **DHS recommends against all non-essential travel to any U.S. state where the CDC deems there is “sustained community transmission”** of COVID-19. As of March 11, 2020, the CDC has determined sustained community transmission is occurring in the states of California, New York, and Washington. This situation is rapidly evolving, and travelers should refer to the list of “States Reporting Cases of COVID-19 to CDC” on the [Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) in the U.S. webpage](#) for the most current list of states where CDC determines that sustained community transmission is occurring. (Click the + sign under the map to see a table that reports CDC’s assessment of community transmission in the far right column.)
- For all travelers returning to Wisconsin from U.S. states where the CDC has determined that sustained community transmission is occurring, **DHS recommends that those individuals self-quarantine at home for 14 days and monitor for symptoms of COVID-19** (including fever and cough). The [DHS COVID-19 webpage](#) provides instructions on how to self-quarantine and self-monitor for symptoms.

Students who travel to areas where there is sustained community transmission, or are later identified as having community transmission, will be asked not to return to school for 14 calendar days. More information is here:

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/dph/memos/communicable-diseases/2020-04.pdf>

This situation is evolving quickly. La Farge Schools will continue to provide detailed information as it becomes available.

Stay healthy, Wildcats!

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