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Good afternoon,

While I don't have any additional concrete information or plans to share right now, I want to let all of you know what conversations are happening and when more information might be available:

1. You may have seen that MSU announced its intent to go online effective today at noon through Monday, April 20 and is encouraging students to return to their permanent place of residence if possible.
2. Our county superintendents' group is meeting this afternoon to discuss plans and communication. We are scheduled to have communication with MSU and hopefully the health department. As with other health outbreaks, we would be directed by the Health Department if/when to close and when it's safe to reopen.
3. Our district Central Office team is meeting first thing tomorrow morning. We are in the process of making plans for if/when we are directed to close.
4. I plan to have additional communication to staff, students and families tomorrow morning following our district administration team meeting.

Please know that this is an unprecedented situation for all of us and that information changes so quickly. I am doing my best to be responsive yet not reactive. As new information becomes available, decisions may, too, change. Your emails, texts, etc. are all important to me, but know that I am prioritizing my activities today around planning, preparation and communication. I will respond to your email as soon as I'm able.

We are all going to need to be patient and flexible - this situation is fluid and quickly changing. Assume good intentions by all others and act with grace and compassion. People react to situations like these in such a variety of ways, all understandable no matter where you may personally lie on that spectrum of responses - we will all get through this and may need to rely on the support of others or be those who provide support to others.

Feel free to communicate directly with me as needed. Thank you all.

Dori