

EVW SCHOOLS

Like schools across state, EV-W closing in-person classes starting this week **District preparing for two weeks of e-learning**

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“Our interests are in the safety and security of our staff and students. We will follow the expectations of our elected officials and the guidelines of MDH (Minnesota Department of Health) and the CDC (Center for Disease Control),” said superintendent Mark Messman to district administrators at an emergency planning meeting about the COVID-19 coronavirus on Sunday, March 15.

Following Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz’s mandate to close K-12 schools from Wednesday, March 18 to Friday, March 27, district leaders and school board members met to coordinate the school system’s unified, fact-based, strategic response to the situation.

“We’ll do our best to keep everybody informed,” Messman said, noting the school’s anticipated stream of announcements through the SwiftReach communication system. “What’s happening is evolving on a daily and hourly basis,” he added.

At the meeting, the admin