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Dear West Prairie Parents/Guardians:

Due to the increasing positivity rate of COVID 19 cases in McDonough and Schuyler Counties and after consultation with MCHD officials, West Prairie CUSD 103 schools will take an adaptive pause, closing to in-person instruction, starting November 10th. Regular student attendance will resume on November 30th.

We continue to monitor this situation daily as we have since August. I know the last minute notice on events can be frustrating, but please understand that our students and staffs' health and safety is our number one priority. Moreover, we share the information as we get it. It is not always at the most convenient times of the day or night. We have said from the beginning that we could close at any moment. This is the nature of managing schools during a pandemic.

This shift to remote learning may be extended past November 30th. A decision will be based on the Region 2 metrics and further collaboration with MCHD. We will try to make that determination as timely as possible.

Lunch service will continue with home delivery of meals. Please check your email for lunch delivery registration. Schools will be open to assist you during this time of remote learning. Questions regarding individual instruction and requests should be directed to the student's teacher and/or building principal. We appreciate your continued cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

Guy W. Gradert