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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Dear Elmira Heights Central School District Community:

Under advisement of the New York State Department of Health and by order of Chemung County Executive Chris Moss regarding the suspension of all classroom and extra-curricular functions for prevention efforts against COVID-19, the Elmira Heights Central School District will be closed for students beginning Tuesday, March 17 through April 13. If at the end of spring recess, the situation is deemed clear by health officials, students will report Tuesday, April 14, 2020.

Schools are scheduled for regular session on Monday, March 16 in order for students and staff to prepare for this extended suspension of classroom and extra-curricular functions. Students will be dismissed at the end of the school day March 16 until schools reopen. Monday, April 13, 2020 will be a Superintendent's Conference Day.

In the next few days, we will be following up with information for staff and for parents regarding educational programming, food services, and other important items regarding this closure.

If at the end of spring recess, the situation is deemed clear by health officials, Monday, April 13 will be a Superintendent's Conference Day for staff, and students will report Tuesday, April 14. We will keep parents and staff informed via the district's regular communication channels.

Thank you for your concern for our children and their safety. We encourage everyone to take precautions during this time by reducing travel, maintaining social distance, and practicing good hand hygiene.

Sincerely,

Michael F. Gill  
Superintendent of Schools