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Dear Whitefish Bay School District Families,

The North Shore and Washington Ozaukee Public Health Departments have asked for our assistance in sharing information regarding best practice during school closure. They are seeking our assistance in communicating the importance of social distancing as the COVID-19 virus has reached the "community spread" stage. Please be reminded that our school buildings and grounds, including practice fields and playgrounds, are closed.

The Public Health Departments recommend the use of social distancing. Social distancing means keeping a safe distance (approximately 6 feet) from others and avoiding gathering spaces such as schools, churches, concert halls and public transportation. In practice, this means limiting play to a minimal number of friends and keeping activities outside, keeping kids at home with immediate family members, and canceling plans to travel outside of Wisconsin. Spending time outdoors getting exercise is important, but go for a family bike ride or run to minimize interactions with others.

Thank you for your continued diligence in keeping our students, staff, families, and community healthy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John W. Thomsen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J'.

Dr. John W. Thomsen

Superintendent