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Dear Pueblo School District 60 Families and Staff,

The safety of our students, their families, and staff is our highest priority. The coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak requires that we take extraordinary precautions and measures to help protect you at school and at school- and district-sponsored activities. Governor Polis's recent declaration of a state of emergency in Colorado further reflects the significance of this issue for all of us. For these reasons, I have made the difficult decision to cancel all school-sponsored and district-sponsored out-of-state and international travel through at least March 2020. As additional information becomes available, other scheduled trips in the months following may also need to be cancelled. In that case, we will inform you as soon as possible.

I realize that this decision will impact you and will be terribly disappointing as you have been anticipating your trip. But the health risks associated with travel and existing and potential quarantine restrictions that would ensue both at home and out-of-state necessitate this action to protect the well-being and safety of our parents, students, and staff.

This decision to cancel applies only to school- and district-sponsored travel. It does not prevent you from making or fulfilling your own personal travel plans. If you decide to travel on your own, please understand that you will be doing so based upon your assessment and assumption of the health and safety risks.

In consultation with the health department and local health partners, we will continue to receive and inform you of recommendations and guidelines about quarantines, closures or other health and safety measures needed.

Thank you for your understanding that we cannot compromise the safety and health of our district community.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Macaluso
Superintendent of Schools