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Special Olympics Wisconsin Cancels All Events Through April 5 Due to Coronavirus Concerns

EAU CLAIRE, WI — The Eau Claire Area School District has learned that Special Olympics Wisconsin has suspended all practices, sports training, and competition activities due to concerns related to coronavirus (COVID-19).

This suspension will run until at least Sunday, April 5. Special Olympics Wisconsin may extend the suspension depending on the state of the coronavirus in early April.

Locally, the following elementary, middle school, and high school activities have been canceled:

- Basketball Practices: March 12, 16, 19
- Young Athletes, Prairie Ridge: March 12
- Basketball Skills State: March 21
- Track/Swim Practices: March 30, April 2

In addition, the following events across the state have been canceled:

- March 11 — Bucks Training Clinic, Mequon
- March 15 — Sectional Team Basketball, Stevens Point and Mukwonago
- March 21 — State Basketball Skills, Neenah
- March 21 — State Gymnastics, Glendale
- March 29 — LETR Bowling Tournament, New Berlin
- April 4-5 — State Indoor Sports Tournament

“While we are disappointed in this news, we understand that Special Olympics Wisconsin has taken this measure in the interest of protecting the safety of athletes, families, volunteers, staff and partners,” said Dr. Mary Ann Hardebeck, ECASD Superintendent. “Still, we know this decision will affect many of our families and community members. It is our hope that Special Olympics activities will be able to resume after April 5.”

Those with questions about how the decision will affect Special Olympics athletes and activities in the Eau Claire area are encouraged to contact Michaela Harrison at 715-833-0833 or mharrison@SpecialOlympicsWisconsin.org.

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