



TREYNOR COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

District Statement on International Travel

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It was recently brought to the attention of school officials that a high school student will be participating in a mission trip to Uganda, Africa. Since receiving this news, school officials have been researching this issue while also communicating with the student's family, the Iowa Department of Public Health, and legal counsel. In addition, the District continues to monitor the Center for Disease Control's website for current updates on Ebola, travel advisories, and guidelines for student's traveling abroad.

With the recent concerns surrounding Ebola, we understand the IDPH and CDC are not discouraging travel to this portion of Africa and our student is considered low risk for contracting the virus. However, the family has taken into consideration concerns raised by others. Therefore, the student's family is planning to voluntarily self-isolate their child upon return from the mission trip. The voluntary self-isolation will last for 21 days.

School officials will continue to communicate with the Iowa Department of Public Health and other appropriate authorities to seek guidance for the school district on this issue.

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