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March 21-22, 2020 – Penta Career Center, Perrysburg, Ohio

In alignment with Governor DeWine and the Ohio Department of Health's recommendations issued on March 10, 2020 to slow the spread of the Coronavirus, the Northwestern Ohio Volunteer Fireman's Association President and Board of Directors along with the Annual Regional Fire School's chairman has made the difficult decision to cancel this year's N.O.V.F.A. Regional Fire School that was to be held March 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Penta Career Center in Perrysburg, Ohio. The N.O.V.F.A.'s primary concern is for the safety of first responders and their families as well as maintaining their ability to help the citizens of Northwest Ohio. The N.O.V.F.A. feels that it is important to follow the Governor's recommendations to avoid mass gatherings when possible to help reduce the impact of this virus on our first responders and citizens.

The N.O.V.F.A. looks forward to working with our new partner, the Penta Career Center, to provide comprehensive training to our Northwest Ohio firefighters and emergency medical technicians at the 2021 Annual Regional Fire School.

For more information, please visit our website at [www.novfafireschool.org](http://www.novfafireschool.org) or visit us on Facebook.

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