

Waverly School District #6

Waverly, Illinois

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Dear Parents,

There are so many stories that are being reported about coronavirus, I know it is very difficult to keep up, decipher what is true and what is myth, and try not to cause panic or doubt in the minds of our community. I felt it was imperative to address this issue regarding our school. At this time, there are no confirmed cases of coronavirus in our area. As you know, student safety and the wellbeing of our students has always been a top priority. After all, I cancelled school because of the flu earlier in the year, which reiterates my commitment to this statement. With that said, it is also my responsibility to provide facts to our parents, along with providing stability in the educational minds of our students. You are probably asking, "If there is someone that is positive in our district, is there a plan for addressing the coronavirus for the school?" The simple answer is, "yes". We have a plan addressing attendance at school. This may be in person attendance (as usual) or this may include an e-learning day, depending on the recommendation from the Health Department. If your family does not have electronic capability or have access to the internet, we are working on getting hotspots set up for our parents to utilize. In addition, some of our students rely on our school breakfast and school lunch for their nutrition every day. The school district is working with local organizations to assist with preparing and possibly delivering meals to these locations if school would be closed for a period of time. Lastly, if the decision is made, we would cancel extra-curricular activities first to minimize the risk of our students for exposure from other students in different districts. I do not want to cancel school and disrupt our student learning. However, I am prepared to keep our students safe and healthy, which may lead to the cancellation of school in coordination with recommendations from our IDPH and our local health departments. These decisions will be based on facts, not hysteria from false information. I am monitoring this situation very closely and will keep you informed throughout this process. Please have conversations with your children about good handwashing techniques, coughing into elbows, and go to the doctor or stay home if you have a fever. In addition, parents may want to prepare early and have a back-up plan for child care in case school would be closed. Again, my job is not to create panic, but to inform our public of the facts, be proactive, and provide an action plan on what the school will do in case the need arises.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 217-435-8121.

Thank you,
Dustin Day