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Re: Coronavirus Virus Information

Dear Parent/Guardians',

The US Department of Health and Human Services as well as the National Center for Disease Control have been monitoring the spread of 2019-nCoV (more commonly known as the Coronavirus); there is a site you can visit www.cdc.gov where you can get daily updates. To date, the exposure and identified cases in the United States has been limited, but there is a palpable sense of concern across the region. I am writing to you today to give you some assurances and suggestions for keeping you and your loved ones well.

- If you have not already done so, you are encouraged to get a flu shot
- Good hand-washing cannot be emphasized enough (more info about hand-washing can be found at www.cdc.gov
- If you have flu-like symptoms, please stay home (or keep your children home from school) until you are fever-free for 24 hours

It is important to keep children home from school when they are ill. If your child has any of the following symptoms please keep them home from school: temperature greater than 100.4, coughing, vomiting, diarrhea, any rash not yet diagnosed by a physician, red or pink itchy eye, and/or drainage from eye, and any contagious illness such as chicken pox, strep throat or flu.

The Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) is an evolving situation that we are following closely and will continue to update you as information is shared with us. Please rest assured that we are monitoring student health concerns on a daily basis. We are also sanitizing our educational spaces as we typically do during the “cold and flu season.” And, of course, we are following all recommended guidelines from State and National agencies to ensure the continued safety of our students and staff.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 413-236-4466.

Sincerely,

Thomas Nadolny
Principal Superintendent