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Dear families,

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) continues to release information about COVID-19, also known as the coronavirus. Knowing the outbreak could eventually impact schools, we are keeping current on information provided to date and to suggestions for public safety in order to minimize educational impact.

Most importantly, our mission is to keep students and staff safe. The signs and symptoms of the coronavirus are similar to the common cold symptoms: runny nose, headache, cough, sore throat, and fever. More information is available on the <u>CDC website</u>. Please take a moment to learn about prevention and treatment to help minimize the spread of this illness.

CDC recommendations:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.

We are committed to the health and safety of our staff and student. We will continue to closely monitor the situation and provide updates as necessary.

Sincerely, School Administration