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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The health, safety, and well-being of our students and staff are our top priorities. With the recently elevated discussion regarding the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in the news, we want to take a moment to reinforce preventive safety measures and reference our process and communications.

First, it is important to remember that at this time, there have only been a small number of confirmed cases of coronavirus in the United States. As a school district, we are closely monitoring the situation and taking guidance from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

We encourage our students, staff and families to be mindful of key preventive measures. The CDC offers some tips on its website (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/prevention.html>) that can be useful in avoiding the spread of this and other illnesses.

In addition, please remember that if children are sick, they should not be at school. Students need to be fever and/or vomit free for 24 hours before returning to class after any illness. Keeping children home when they are sick is critical to prevention.

In the event that additional guidance impacting attendance becomes available, we will use our phone notification system, our mobile application and the school website to share information.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Yurko, Superintendent
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