

HERRICKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Office of the Superintendent

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Over the past week, we have been monitoring the newly-identified Coronavirus and have sought guidance on whether there are any additional precautions that our schools should be taking at this time. We have been in contact with both our school physician and the Nassau County Department of Health for guidance on this matter. Their directives have been consistent: there have been no identified cases in our region, and thus no reason to alter our usual operations. Know that we are practicing our usual flu season prevention practices in all of our schools: thorough cleaning and disinfection of facilities, reminding staff and students to "cover your cough", and frequent handwashing. The usual flu season guidelines should be followed, which are available on our website. Feel free to contact the school nurse in your child's school if you have any questions.

Persons wishing to learn more about the illness can visit the US Centers for Disease Control website: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html.

We will remain in contact with the appropriate officials, follow any recommendations they issue, and keep you informed of any new developments. Thank you for your cooperation.

Regards,

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