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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am writing to provide an update regarding the 2019 Novel Coronavirus and to share the attached letter on this topic from the New York State Department of Health and the State Education Department. Over the past few weeks, we have been in contact with both our school physician and the Nassau County Department of Health for the most updated guidance on this matter. Their directives have been consistent and remain the same to date: there have been no identified cases in New York State, and the risk to residents and students is very low. Therefore, there is 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 sneeze”, and frequent handwashing.

The usual flu season guidelines should be followed, which are available [on our website](#).

Please read the attached letter recently issued jointly by the New York State Department of Health and the State Education Department. The letter contains further information and links to additional resources. Feel free to contact the school nurse in your child’s school if you have any questions.

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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