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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As you know, the CDC recently provided information concerning the coronavirus and how it has spread within the United States. We are monitoring the alerts from the [CDC](https://www.cdc.gov) and continue to follow the current guidance posted by the [New Jersey Department of Education](https://www.nj.gov/education) and the [New Jersey Department of Health](https://www.nj.gov/health). Please note, at this time we have no concerns about this virus in our schools. School nurses and administration have been monitoring attendance and illnesses. In addition, our facilities department has enhanced daily cleaning and sanitizing procedures.

It is important for parents to adhere to the following guidelines to maintain a healthy environment for students:

- Teach your children to wash their hands often with warm soap and water.
- Clean and disinfect frequently-touched surfaces and objects.
- Ensure your children do not share personal items like food, drink, or utensils.
- Teach your children to cover their cough or sneeze with a tissue or into their sleeve, not into their hands.
- Notice the signs and symptoms of illness such as fever, cough, shortness of breath. The CDC believes that coronavirus may appear in as few as 2 days or as long as 14 days after exposure.
- Keep children at home if they are experiencing a fever of more than 100 degrees Fahrenheit or 37.8 degrees Celsius, cough, sneezing, body aches, chills, headache or other flu-like symptoms.
- Children should not return to school unless they have been fever-free without medication for 24 hours.

If you have general questions about Coronavirus, you may call the NJ Department of Health COVID Hotline 1-800-222-1222.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our students and staff safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Hart", is written over a white background.

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