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Dear Summit Academy and Summit Academy North Families:

As you know the health and safety of our students is our priority. This week, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention shared possible options for what could happen if there is local person-to-person transmission of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in the United States including recommendations for school systems to consider.

On February 28, Governor Whitmer announced the activation of the State of Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) where state, local, and federal agencies will have statewide readiness and communication regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Currently, it is important to listen to the facts and not respond to fear. Governor Whitmer has communicated that there are no confirmed cases of coronavirus in Michigan and the risk in the U.S. is still low. There are no plans to close schools. This would be an extreme measure. However, we will always follow recommendations from the Center for Disease Control.

**The most important thing that we can all do is take precautions.**

- Cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze with a tissue or sleeve
- Wash hands frequently and thoroughly for at least 20 seconds. You can also use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water aren't available.
- Avoid touching your face especially eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

**Definitely keep your child at home for treatment and observation if he or she has any of these symptoms:**

- Fever (greater than 100 degrees and your child may return to school only after his or her temperature has been consistently below 100 degrees, by mouth, for a minimum of 24 hours)
- Vomiting (even once)
- Diarrhea
- Chills
- General malaise or feelings of fatigue, discomfort, weakness or muscle aches
- Frequent congested (wet) or croupy cough
- Difficulty breathing

**Consider keeping your child at home for an extra day of rest and observation if he or she has any of the following symptoms:**

- Very stuffy or runny nose and/or cough
- Mild sore throat (no fever, no known exposure to strep)
- Headache
- Stomachache

We will be reviewing these precautions at school as well. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/stop-the-spread-of-germs.pdf>

If you would like further information regarding the virus, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention has information on their website: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/faq.html>

CDC-What do you need to know about coronavirus: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/2019-ncov-factsheet.pdf>

CDC FAQ regarding children <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/specific-groups/children-faq.html>

MDHHS has created a COVID-19 Website for more information and a fact sheet: [https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdhhs/nCOV-2019\\_General\\_Fact\\_Sheet\\_v2-4-20\\_680266\\_7.pdf](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdhhs/nCOV-2019_General_Fact_Sheet_v2-4-20_680266_7.pdf)

In addition, a Family Physician, Dr. Peter Lin, has shared a five minute YouTube video explaining the virus as well:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sqtRjjzxaWI&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR3ARCeI2JhgLsKNv3Igs9DNXt\\_fujOgQwYXaKLIJXHsgIbCTXNoMKWFLjM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sqtRjjzxaWI&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR3ARCeI2JhgLsKNv3Igs9DNXt_fujOgQwYXaKLIJXHsgIbCTXNoMKWFLjM)

Brainpop has created a video to share with students regarding coronavirus as well. <https://www.brainpop.com/health/diseasesinjuriesandconditions/coronavirus/>

We will continue to monitor and follow the guidance from the Center for Disease Control and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

Warm regards,

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