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# DOVER SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Families and Staff,

The Dover School District is closely monitoring the current 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. District leaders are in constant communication with state public health agencies to learn from and closely follow their recommendations.

We appreciate that this is a rapidly changing situation and we will stay in contact with state and federal agencies for the latest information.

In addition, we are in the midst of the influenza season and there are steps we can all take to mitigate the risks of this type of illness. To reduce the risk of spreading virus infection, the CDC recommends taking precautionary measures that include:

- ✓ Frequent handwashing with soap and water.
- ✓ Avoiding sick people.
- ✓ Staying home if you are sick. If you or your child have a fever, you must stay home for at least 24 hours after the fever is gone. Students and staff should not return to school until they are fever free for 24 hours without the use of a fever reducing medicine such as Acetaminophen or Ibuprofen.
- ✓ Covering your nose and mouth when sneezing or coughing.
- ✓ Cleaning and disinfecting surfaces and objects that may be contaminated with germs.

We are currently reviewing all student trips that have been scheduled for the spring, paying careful attention to the US State Department and CDC guidelines and directives.

Additional information about coronavirus, including signs and symptoms, transmission and risk of exposure, what to do if you are exhibiting symptoms, and continuing updates about the disease are available at:

**The US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:** [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

**New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services:** [www.dhhs.nh.gov](http://www.dhhs.nh.gov)

Respectfully,

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Superintendent of Schools