



Centralia School District

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Dear Families,

The emergence of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in China and its spread to other parts of the world has generated a great deal of news and questions. This information is evolving at a very rapid pace and we want to communicate with you with regard to what is known at this time. In the Centralia Elementary School District (CESD), we want to assure families that we are taking all the essential precautions and we have protocols in place to respond to any outbreak of communicable diseases within our schools.

The County of Orange has been proactive in declaring a county State of Emergency as a preemptive approach to be ready, should an active situation occur in our county. At the present time, there is no known active COVID-19 case in Orange County. We continue to work closely with the Orange County Health Care Agency as they monitor the situation and we will follow their instructions, who provide us information and help guide our coordinated response.

CESD has activated their emergency response team to review our current plans and ensure that we are vigilant and monitoring this situation. We work diligently year-round to make sure we are prepared for emergencies. We are in close contact with our partners, the Orange County Health Care Agency and the Orange County Department of Education, who are helping to guide our coordinated response.

We will follow our protocols and continue to communicate with families by phone using our School Messenger system, our [website](#), our [Peachjar digital flyer communication system](#) and our social media networks (Twitter [@CentraliaSup](#), Facebook [@cesd.us](#)).

We'd also like to take this opportunity to remind you it is still cold and flu season and we encourage everyone to continue to practice good hygiene and virus prevention practices. This includes:

- Maintain good hand hygiene by washing your hands often with soap and warm water, especially after coughing or sneezing. [FLYER](#)
- Cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze using a tissue or your elbow. Avoid touching the face area.
- Stay home or keep your child home if there is a fever of at least 100 degrees. Your child must be fever free without the aid of medication for at least 24 hours before returning to school.

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- Get your flu shot when possible.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your health care provider or the Orange County Health Care Agency. You can also visit the Centers for Disease Control website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html> about COVID-19.

Thank you for partnering with us to keep all of our students healthy. We will continue to keep you updated with any additional information as needed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Norma E. Martinez", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Norma E. Martinez
Superintendent