Hello NACA Community,

NACA and Albuquerque Public Schools are actively communicating with the New Mexico Department of Health about the COVID-19, commonly referred to as the coronavirus. They are providing us with regular updates, guidance, and resources.

Currently, New Mexico has no reported cases of the coronavirus. However, we are still taking the health threat seriously. To be proactive, our custodians and facility staff are using additional procedures to sanitize our facilities. They have increased the frequency of deep cleaning our restrooms, drinking fountains, door knobs, areas exposed by touch of humans, deeper cleaning overall, using approved cleaning agents to kill germs and aid in the sanitizing of our school. Many parts of the world are experiencing an outbreak of respiratory illness and flu-like symptoms caused by COVID-19 (coronavirus). It is natural to feel some anxiety when hearing the reports regarding this virus. The health and safety of our students is always our top priority, and we will continue to monitor and assess the situation as more information becomes available. Meanwhile, we have provided information below to help reduce risk in our community.

If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to reach out to the respective Heads of School, Deans, or your child’s advisor.

Thank you,

Administration Team
Native American Community Academy
Tips to reduce the risk of getting and spreading viral respiratory infections:

• Stay home when you are sick and keep children who are sick at home until they are well.

• Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom, before eating, and after blowing your nose. Help young children do the same.

• If soap and water are not readily available (such as in a car), use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.

• Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands. Discourage children from touching their face as well.

• Follow routine cleaning and disinfecting of frequently touched objects and surfaces such as cell phones and door knobs.

• Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, then throw away the used tissue in the trash and wash hands with soap and water or hand sanitizer (if soap and water are not readily available).

• Get the flu shot annually.

• Instead of shaking hands, give a fist bump.

Resources
New Mexico Department of Health Corona Virus webpage
https://cv.nmhealth.org/
Centers for Disease Control Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) webpage