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Dear Indianapolis Classical Schools Families,

We want you to be aware that we are closely monitoring information about the Coronavirus (COVID-19), and that we are taking steps to enhance our own cleaning and prevention practices.

Currently, China, Iran, South Korea, Italy, and Japan are under travel alerts and restrictions, and California and Washington State are under state of emergencies. Because this a new virus, this information is extremely fluid and often changes.

As spring break approaches, we are evaluating all planned student trips over the next six months and will be closely monitoring the fast-moving news regarding those destinations. We ask families who have travel plans for spring break to do the same.

If you are planning trips to international destinations or states which have declared a state of emergency, we encourage you to regularly monitor the [State Department's travel alerts](#) and follow all of their recommendations. The CDC is also tracking all reports of outbreaks and updating their website as new information about coronavirus becomes known. Please continue to [check the CDC website](#) for current travel information as well as ways to help protect your family.

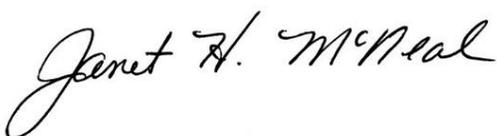
Please adhere to the following preventative measures:

- Students should stay home if they are sick or experiencing fever. Students should stay home for 24 hours after vomiting and 24 hours AFTER being fever-free with any type of illness.
- Students and their families should avoid contact with people who are sick.
- Please avoid hand shaking – use a fist bump etc
- Use disinfectant wipes at stores to clean handles and child seats
- Wash your hands frequently with soap for 20 seconds and/or use a greater than 60% alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Cough or sneeze into a disposable tissue and discard. Use your elbow only if no tissue is available. This particular virus can live on clothing for several days.

We want to share with you what we are doing to reduce the spread of all viruses:

- Herron High School and Riverside High School have hand sanitizer and tissues in every office and classroom.
- We are thoroughly disinfecting each school twice each week.
- Next week, we will remind students about proper hand washing techniques.
- As a precaution in the event a local outbreak occurs, students will take a private survey about their access to the internet and a computer device in their homes. We are confident in our ability to continue providing educational services despite any local disruptions.
- We will continue to monitor the [CDC](#) and [Marion County Public Health Department](#) websites.

Thank you for your help with keeping our students and staff healthy.



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