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Dear Arbor Park School District 145 Parents and Guardians,

We are closely monitoring the situation and taking guidance from the Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH), Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

***** Currently, we are not aware of any confirmed coronavirus cases in our area or our school district. In addition, none of the above agencies are recommending school closures or cancelling activities in our area. *****

Arbor Park School District 145 considers the health, safety, and well-being of our students and staff top priorities. With the recently elevated discussion regarding the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in the news, we want to take a moment to reinforce preventive safety measures and reference our process and communications.

We encourage our students, staff and families to be mindful of key preventive measures. The CDC offers some [tips on its website](#) that can be useful in avoiding the spread of this and other illnesses. Every school year, students and staff are instructed on the proper method of handwashing and handwashing techniques.

In addition, please remember that if children are sick, they should not be at school. Students need to be fever free for 24 hours before returning to class after any illness. Please refer to the health guidelines outlined in our 2019-2020 Calendar and Parent Handbook. Keeping children home when they are sick is critical to prevention.

As more information about the coronavirus becomes available through various local, state and federal agencies, we will post the information to the district website (www.arbor145.org) and if emergency communications are necessary, we will use our SwiftReach system to text, email and call our families. Please know that this is an evolving situation and we will only share information that has been verified and been deemed reliable.

We appreciate your concerns and are grateful for your continued support. If you have any questions, please reach out to your building Principal.

Sincerely,

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