

# ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

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Dear Cass School District 63 Families:

The health and safety of our students is our top priority, so we want to share with you information on the Coronavirus that the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) has published for schools throughout the state.

Currently, the IDPH recommends schools hold classes and events as usual and follow routine cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

The IDPH also recommends the best way to protect against Coronavirus is by taking the same everyday precautions against getting sick in general. These include:

- Washing your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds;
- Avoiding touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands;
- Avoiding close contact with people who are sick;
- Staying home when you are sick and seek appropriate medical attention;
- Covering your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash;
- Cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched objects and surfaces.

For the past two months, Cass School District 63 has implemented, as a precautionary measure, additional cleaning and disinfecting protocols, which include, but are not limited to, wiping down all door knobs and light switches daily, installing multiple hand sanitizer stations at both Concord Elementary School and Cass Junior High School in hallways so that they are available to students, staff and visitors at all times.

The District respectfully requests that you support its efforts and be extremely diligent about not sending your child(ren) to school if they are not well and let us know if your child(ren) has/have flu-like symptoms. If your child(ren) has/have flu-like symptoms, seek medical attention and provide your child(ren)'s school with a medical provider's return to school authorization. If anyone in your family contracts the Coronavirus, please immediately inform your child(ren)'s school(s) so we can take swift appropriate measures. The District will formally notify all families promptly if a student or staff member contracts the virus, without disclosing the identity of the individual(s), out of respect to the Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act (HIPAA).

## Concord Elementary School

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To view the complete recommendations to schools from IDPH, please [click here](#). Additionally, the IDPH has set up a hotline for Illinois residents to call if they have any questions about the Coronavirus. Residents in Illinois can call the hotline at 800/889-3931 or email [DPH.SICK@illinois.gov](mailto:DPH.SICK@illinois.gov).

We will continue to closely monitor recommendations regarding the Coronavirus and will continue to update you as soon as there are any significant changes in recommendations for schools. Thank you for your support in helping to keep our school community healthy.

Sincerely,

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