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As COVID-19 (coronavirus) continues to be a prominent story in the news and cases in Pennsylvania have risen, the Tyrone Area School District is monitoring the spread of the virus through our contacts with the PA Department of Health and Blair County Emergency Management to ensure the safety of our staff and students.

We have been monitoring the reports and continue to implement proactive measures for disinfecting, as well as increased prevention protocols. In addition, discussions are occurring about our Pandemic plan, in the event that we would need to take a more aggressive approach.

In the coming days, more information will be shared about specific measures currently being taken in the district.

The coronavirus spreads just like the flu or a cold—through the air by coughing or sneezing; through close personal contact, like touching or shaking hands; by touching an object or surface with the virus on it.

Please practice common sense cold/flu prevention procedures!

The Pennsylvania Department of health urges parents to emphasize the following:

- **Cover** any coughs or sneezes with your elbow, do not use your hands!
- **Clean surfaces** frequently, such as countertops, light switches, cell phones, and other frequently touched areas. **Wash hands** often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.
- **Contain** – If you are sick, stay at home until you are feeling better.

Please keep children who are sick home from school. A reminder that children who are sick should not return to school until they are fever-free for at least 24-hours following the illness.

Information about the coronavirus has been added to the T ASD website. We will continue to update this information as new information becomes available. Information can also be found directly on the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at <https://www.cdc.gov/>.

Sincerely,

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