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Dear Parents and Guardians,

In Gonzales Unified School District the health, safety and well-being of our students and staff are our 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.

First, it is important to remember that at this time, there have only been a small number of confirmed cases of coronavirus in the United States. As a school district, we are closely monitoring the situation and taking guidance from the Monterey County Health Department, the California Department of Public Health and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). There is currently no recommendation to close schools in the United States.

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.

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 on our district website. Keeping children home when they are sick is critical to prevention.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's school.

Sincerely,

Yvette M. Irving
Superintendent