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RE: CoronaVirus (COVID-19) Information,

South Wasco County School District is aware that across the nation there are concerns about the recent outbreak of novel coronavirus in China. The district has been working to ensure that we have the proper protocols in place if the virus were to spread into our area of Oregon. We have been and will continue to stay informed with all guidance shared by local and state health authorities.

The situation in Oregon remains that there have been zero confirmed cases to date. A number of people, who had recently traveled to China are being monitored in Oregon for the disease, but at this time no confirmed case of COVID-19 has been confirmed.

As it is currently flu and respiratory season. Many of the everyday precautions we take to prevent flu are useful in protecting against the spread of COVID-19.

- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue and then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Clean and disinfect surfaces that are often touched.

If your child has flu-like symptoms, keeping your child home may be a good option. Teachers will be reviewing respiratory etiquette and hand washing hygiene with students.

The district will be paying special attention to disinfecting frequently touched surfaces in the school such as desks, countertops and doorknobs.

For more information on CoronaVirus and other health related subjects go to Oregon Health Authority.

Sincerely,

Ryan Wraught, Superintendent
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