

March 10, 2020

Dear Navajo Public Schools Families and Community Members,

Regarding the Coronavirus Disease 2019(COVID-19) and other communicable diseases, we believe it is best to be prepared with preventative, containment and management measures. The health and safety of our students, staff and families are of utmost importance; therefore, we want to share safety precautions that have been set forth by state and federal officials.

The Oklahoma State Department of Health and the Oklahoma State Department of Education are partnering to provide specific guidance regarding Spring Break and other travels for our school families, students and district staff.

Individuals returning from travel to China, South Korea, Italy, Iran, Japan or any other [Level 2 or 3 country](#) as identified by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) should self-quarantine for a period of 14 days before returning to school. This applies to all students, teachers, and other school or district staff.

Steps for returning travelers from Level 2 or 3 countries:

1. Take your temperature with a thermometer two times a day and monitor for fever. Also watch for cough or trouble breathing.
2. Stay home and avoid contact with others. Do not go to work or school for this 14-day period. Discuss your work situation with your district before returning to work or school.
3. Do not take public transportation, taxis, or ride-shares during the time you are practicing social distancing.
4. Avoid crowded places (such as shopping centers and movie theaters) and limit your activities in public.
5. Keep your distance from others (about 6 feet).

Please refer frequently to the CDC [Travelers Guidance](#) as other countries may be elevated to Level 2 or 3 at any time.

IF you travel out of the United States, please notify your student's school.

IF a staff member or student has been exposed to COVID-19, contact the Jackson County Health Department at 580-482-7308, your physician, and your student's school. Students and their parents should call their student's school site to report absences and exposure to the virus. Please communicate with your school Principal.

Thank you for your continued efforts to keep our students and staff healthy and safe. We will send additional information as it is available and needed.

Sincerely,

Vicki Nance
Superintendent
Navajo Public Schools