



# WOODBIDGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Parents and Guardians of Woodbridge Township:

The coronavirus has become a serious concern throughout the country, including here in New Jersey. Although we haven't had any confirmed cases in Woodbridge, our school district is working behind the scenes to prevent any outbreaks and to keep our staff and students as safe and healthy as possible. Some of the things we are doing include:

1. Extra cleaning of surfaces that students contact often, such as desks, sinks, cafeteria tables, and busses;
2. Talking to students about safely sneezing or coughing into a tissue or their sleeve;
3. Talking with students about washing their hands often. Students should wash with soap for at least 20 seconds or use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available (Center for Disease Control).
4. Making available extra cleaning products, including disinfecting wipes, tissues, and paper towels.

As parents, you can help us to make sure our schools remain safe. The most important thing is to keep your children home if they are not feeling well, even if they do not go to the doctor. Germs spread quickly in classrooms filled with students. We do not want to put other students at risk if a student comes to school sick. We realize that this year we have placed extra emphasis on student attendance, but reducing the chance of spreading illness is much more important. Any attendance issues can be addressed with your principal at the end of the school year.

All of our nurses have been given the most up-to-date information on the virus including the best preventative measures. If you wish to learn more, go to [www.nj.gov/health/coronavirus](http://www.nj.gov/health/coronavirus) or <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/2019-ncov-factsheet.pdf>.

As of now, we will not be changing any of our schedules or policies. We have been communicating with local, county, and state level officials regarding the best strategies to combat the spread of the coronavirus. We will continue to inform everyone of any changes or updates.

We are hopeful that this coronavirus will not affect our area. But if it does, be assured that Woodbridge is preparing for any possible scenario.

If you have any questions, please contact my office at 732 602 8472.

Thank you.