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Parents/Guardians,

Last week the district initiated a response to the developing Coronavirus (COVID-19) threat. Today's correspondence is intended to apprise you on specific areas that may be of interest. I will continue to provide updates as they develop and encourage you to visit the district web site for helpful resources and updates.

Facility:

- Cleaning products will be professional-grade and certified to kill the COVID-19 virus.
- Spray bottles are being provided to classrooms for occasional, as-needed cleaning.
- Staff has been notified of the importance of keeping touchpoints and keyboards sanitized often.
- Correct handwashing is essential; however, some areas of the district also have hand sanitizer. Staff has been directed to only use product with at least 60% alcohol.

Activities:

At this time the district has not prevented students from attending nonessential activities, however, we will refer to guidance from state offices for future decisions.

E-Learning Feasibility Study:

Each family has been asked to participate in a brief survey surrounding Wi-Fi and home computer use. This anecdotal data will be help determine our ability to conduct temporary, home-based instruction should the need arise. If you haven't responded, please follow the link provided.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/drpselearning>

As a district, we are stressing healthy hygiene practices and the simplistic, yet important advice from the Department of Health.

- Students should stay home when they are sick
- Cover your cough
- Practice good hand washing

Our staff has worked diligently formulating a plan to sanitize common touchpoints and high traffic areas. The health and safety of our school community is my top priority, although I'm trying to balance that with a commonsense approach. Keep in mind we have 1000 students and roughly 200 staff members in attendance each day. If you have a healthy child that isn't at a high risk of infection, please understand that others may not be so fortunate.

Finally, if your child is experiencing symptoms related to COVID-19, please do not send him/her to school or Haven. Medical professionals are encouraging you to call your provider prior to going in as well. I sincerely thank you for trusting us as we move forward in this process. Please reach out to me if you have specific concerns or questions.

Dr. Summer Schultz, Superintendent