



Dear Washington Township Parents and Guardians,

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO) have communicated information about the Coronavirus and have encouraged all citizens, businesses, and schools to prepare for possible disruptions due to the potential spread of the virus in the United States. Washington Township has a District Emergency Preparedness Plan which includes procedures for outbreak response. We continue to follow guidance from the state and local health departments to keep our community healthy and safe. If we should have a case at some point in time, we will follow their recommendations and directives and will communicate those steps to our school community. We will utilize eLearning resources for students in the event that our schools are closed for an extended period of time.

All citizens should have a plan in place at home in the event voluntary or mandatory quarantines are issued by the local health department. At a minimum, every household should have the following provisions to sustain them for at least 14 days:

- Necessary prescription and over-the-counter medications including a fever reducer, such as acetaminophen
- Food (canned and dry goods recommended)
- Water

Washington Township's commitment to the health and safety of our students and staff includes providing a healthy learning environment. Our custodial crews continue to work diligently to provide a clean environment in all our buildings. Please review the following preventive measures with your student(s) to prevent the spread of germs and avoid illness:

- Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use alcohol-based hand sanitizers with 60%-95% alcohol.
- Avoid touching eyes, mouth and nose with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with individuals who are sick.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze.
- Seek medical attention if you are experiencing symptoms that cause concern.

To stay informed please visit our website for updates regarding this health concern. www.msdt.k12.in.us/2020/03/health-concerns/. Thank you for doing your part to keep our schools and community healthy!