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## Students, Staff and Parents:

In our continued effort to keep our students, staff and community healthy, we want to take the time to share with you the information from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) that has been disseminated to schools throughout the state related to Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Presently the health risk to the general public from Coronavirus remains low. Currently, the IDPH recommends schools hold classes and events as usual, and follow routine cleaning and disinfecting procedures; no special measures are necessary.

The IDPH also recommends the best way to protect against Coronavirus is by taking the following precautions that most of us generally use on a daily basis:

- Washing your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- > Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- > Covering your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw away the tissue in the trash.
- > Cleaning and disinfecting areas frequently that are high traffic areas.

At Brown County Schools, we are making a concerted effort to keep areas disinfected such as door handles, drinking fountains and desks to help minimize the health risks. We have wipes and hand sanitizer available to students in various locations of the building.

We continue to monitor the situation and respond to updated recommendations from the IDPH and our local Brown County Health Department. Further protocol and parameters put forth by the IDPH and Brown County Health Department will be implemented upon communication from these entities to the school district. We are doing our best to keep our school environment as healthy as possible for all. Thank you for your support in helping keep our school healthy.

Respectfully,

Vicki Phillips

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