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Dear Monadnock Community,

We understand the importance of not only sharing accurate information, but also sharing information in a way that is sensitive to those impacted. In the hours following our initial communication, dated March 11th, and with communication and permission from the student's parent, I am now able to share with you that the original report of a student being tested for respiratory symptoms that could be connected to Coronavirus was incomplete. The student referenced in the letter sent out had been screened for COVID-19 (Coronavirus) (not tested) and was told to stay at home and monitor for additional symptoms for a period of five days (not fourteen). The student's symptoms did not rise to the level of optional self-quarantine. Though the District has been vigilant regarding the cleaning and disinfecting of its schools, the closing of Monadnock Regional Middle-High School for additional cleaning was done out of an abundance of caution.

We encourage everyone to remain vigilant in practicing everyday strategies that prevent the spread of any respiratory virus, including COVID-19 (Coronavirus). These include:

- Stay home when sick
- Cover mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing
- Wash hands frequently
- Avoid close contact with someone who is sick
- Avoid sharing food, drink, utensils, or other items that may transmit saliva
- Disinfect frequently touched surfaces

For the most up to date information regarding COVID-19 (Coronavirus), you can visit the CDC website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>, the World Health Organization website at <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>, or the NH DHHS website at <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/2019-ncov.htm>. You can also reach out to the NH DHHS directly with any questions you may have at 603-271-9700.

Sincerely,

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