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Dear Monadnock Community;

As we prepare to return from February vacation, we want to assure you that the Monadnock Regional School District recognizes and shares your concerns about COVID-19 (Coronavirus). We have been in communication with health officials and are receiving regular updates and guidance regarding best practices for school environments. I am writing today to update you on the current recommendations regarding the Coronavirus and provide you with some information about the District's preparedness moving forward.

As of February 26th, according to the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (NH DHHS), there are currently no confirmed or suspect cases of COVID-19. The DHHS recommends adhering to everyday strategies that prevent the spread of any respiratory virus, including COVID-19. 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

As a District, we are ensuring that we are adhering to established procedures for cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces such as desks, countertops, doorknobs, computer keyboards, hands-on learning materials, faucets, railings, phones and toys. Practicing these measures at home can also help slow and prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses.

This is a rapidly evolving situation, and we will be sure to update you as new information or recommendations become available. For the most up to date information regarding the Coronavirus, you can visit the Center for Disease Control (CDC) website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>, the World Health Organization (WHO) 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. We hope that this information is helpful for you to make informed choices regarding you and your family's health and wellness.

Sincerely,

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