

New Boston Local Schools

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New Boston Parents/Guardians:

The health and safety of our students and staff is our top priority. While there are no cases of Coronavirus (COVID-19) reported in our district at this time, we want you to know what we are doing to prepare for and prevent the spread of the virus, and how you can help by implementing some simple prevention measures into your daily routine.

You can help prevent the spread of a cold, influenza and other respiratory viruses by practicing these healthy habits:

- Wash your hands! Do so often. Use soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching your face. Especially with unwashed hands. Your eyes, nose, and mouth are open doors for germs.
- Avoid people who are sick. Steer clear of illnesses if at all possible.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes. Hold a tissue over your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze. Then throw that tissue away and again, WASH YOUR HANDS!
- Clean things. Disinfect objects and surfaces often.
- Stay home if you have a fever.
- Stay informed: The websites provided by the Portsmouth City Health Department will give you more information.

We are also bringing in extra help to clean and disinfect daily. We will continue to share information with our community as the situation develops.

Yours in Education,



Melinda Burnside, Superintendent
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Corona Virus Outbreak 2019

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Portsmouth City Health Department and Scioto County Health Department COVID-19 Update

As concern about the Coronavirus increases please follow the Portsmouth City Health Department and Scioto County Health Department on Facebook for updates. Information will also be given to local newspaper and radio. As the Covid-19 situation evolves local health department leadership is working with community partners to get plans of action in place for the possibility of Covid-19 cases in Scioto County.

This morning a meeting of community leadership was held at the Scioto County Emergency Operations Center with representation from fire, EMS, public health, SOMC, KDMC, SSU, County Prosecutor's office, and County Commissioners to discuss planning and protocols for how to handle Covid-19 cases in Scioto County were the outbreak in the US to spread locally to Scioto County.

Multiple states have now reported community transmission of Covid-19. At this time there are no confirmed cases of COVID -19 in the state of Ohio.

We at PCHD and SCHD are working with community partners to ensure everyone is prepared and knows their responsibilities, stays informed, and passes information to healthcare providers and the public.

Flu season is still underway and the same precautions you should use for flu can be applied to the COVID-19 virus. This includes handwashing, covering your mouth when you cough, and staying home if you are ill.

If you would like more information on the COVID-19 Outbreak please see the CDC and Ohio Department of Health websites listed below:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

<https://odh.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odh/know-our-programs/Novel-Coronavirus>

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