



Dear Cicero District 99 students, staff and families,

In light of the growing global concerns surrounding the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19), Cicero District 99 administrators and health care providers have been carefully monitoring news and developments on the illness as provided by the Centers for Disease Control, Illinois Department of Public Health and Cook County Department of Public Health.

At this time, public health officials have indicated that the risk of the spread of the coronavirus in Illinois and throughout the United States remains low. Officials from the Illinois Department of Public Health are recommending schools continue holding classes and events as usual and follow routine cleaning procedures.

The safety and wellbeing of students, staff and families remains the top priority for District 99, and the District will continue to stay updated on new developments and follow the guidance of public health officials.

District 99 will continue to adhere to its strong standards of practice for cleanliness of all facilities, with the Buildings and Grounds staff continuing their oversight of the daily cleaning and sanitation of surfaces in classrooms, hallways, lunchrooms, gymnasiums, bathrooms and offices.

Along with proactive steps on the part of the District to keep schools safe, District 99 encourages families to continue following everyday precautions against getting sick, including:

- frequent hand washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- avoiding touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue, the discarding the tissue
- cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces and objects
- avoiding close contact with people who are sick
- staying home when you are sick

For more information about the coronavirus and to follow public health updates, please visit the following links:

- [2019 Novel Coronavirus \(2019-nCoV\) Situation Summary](#)
- [Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)

Any emergency developments will be shared via robocall and through the District's website, Facebook and Twitter pages.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in keeping our community safe and healthy.

Sincerely,
Rodolfo Hernandez
Superintendent
Cicero District 99