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Dear Parent/Guardian,

La Salle Middle School is closely monitoring the developments in the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19). While at this time there are no documented cases in the State of Missouri, and currently the risk of infection is low, we remain vigilant to guidance from the CDC (Centers for Disease Control) and the Department of Health and Human Services (DHSS).

The health and wellness of our students, teachers, and staff are paramount, thus we have begun development of a crisis plan should the situation warrant. To that end, we are also asking our school community to adhere to the following precautions as requested by the DHSS:

- stay home when you are sick;
- cover your coughs and sneezes with tissues, or to cough or sneeze into their inner elbow;
- practice good hand washing with soap and water as often as possible, and if soap and water are not available, use alcohol-based hand sanitizers;
- encourage flu vaccination;
- clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces in classrooms.

The Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) has information about the 2019-nCoV outbreak on its website found at [health.mo.gov/coronavirus](http://health.mo.gov/coronavirus).

It is important to reiterate that there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Missouri at this time. This communication is preventative in nature.

We appreciate your support!

Kind regards,

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Head of School