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TO: Flemington-Raritan Regional School District Parents, Staff & Community

FROM: Kari McGann, Superintendent of Schools

DATE: February 28, 2020 RE: *Coronavirus Update* 

With the rising concern over Coronavirus, we continue to carefully monitor alerts issued by the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and follow their guidance. We also will follow any guidelines issued by the New Jersey Department of Education.

Our school nurses are working closely with the Hunterdon County Health Department. Additionally, and in conjunction with the Director of Student Services and our principals, the school nurses monitor attendance and continue emphasizing the importance of measures found helpful in preventing the spread of disease.

As with other respiratory illnesses, individuals can help prevent the spread of disease by taking the following steps:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after coughing or sneezing.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home while you are sick and avoid close contact with others.
- Cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze and throw away tissues.
- Clean and disinfect frequently-touched surfaces.
- As always, parents/guardians should keep children home when they are sick. They should not return to school until they have been fever-free without medication for 24 hours.

Parents/guardians should notify their school nurse prior to having their child return to school if their family has recently traveled to a country impacted by the Coronavirus.

If you have general questions or concerns regarding the Coronavirus, please contact the Hunterdon County Health Department at 908-788-1351. If you have specific concerns or questions about your child's health, please contact your healthcare provider.

Sincerely,

Kari McGann

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