Dear KWS Parents:

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Not long ago we sent an email about the coronavirus (COVID-19). We just wanted to update you again. While there have been cases outside of China, our community as a whole is at a low level of risk. There are currently no cases of COVID-19 in Chester County or Pennsylvania, so there is no need to change daily routines. We want to reassure you that we are monitoring the situation with the Health Department and the CDC.

We would like to use this as an opportunity to remind you about some best practices to avoid spreading any infection:

- If your student is sick or exhibiting contagious symptoms such as fever, cough, or sneezing, please keep them home from school to avoid spreading illness. Students with a fever must stay home until they are free of fever for at least 24 hours.
- Any student who is determined to be sick while at school will be sent home.
- Remind your child that hands should be washed often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- When coughing or sneezing, cover your mouth and nose using your elbow (not in your hands). Dispose of tissues immediately and wash hands.
- Avoid contact with anyone exhibiting cold-like symptoms.

Additionally, if planning travel please refer to the CDC’s Traveler Guidance website and follow appropriate safety precautions.

We are attaching some information from the Chester County Health Department. You can also check the Chester County Health Department’s website current information about COVID-19 in Chester County at [https://www.chesco.org/4376/2019-Novel-Coronavirus](https://www.chesco.org/4376/2019-Novel-Coronavirus). For more information about COVID-19, visit CDC: Coronavirus Prevention & Treatment. Should you have any questions or concerns beyond what has been provided, please contact your health care provider.

Sincerely,

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Dean of School