

Coronavirus Community Update March 23, 2020

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Dear Irvington School Community,

I hope this email finds you well and that you are keeping your Bulldog spirit high. As we all watch the news and see the headlines on other media sources, we know that the coronavirus continues to spread throughout our region. We are now beginning to receive reports of confirmed cases of the coronavirus among members of our school community. At this time, however, we do not have knowledge that any of the individuals who are confirmed to have the coronavirus or were exposed to the virus were demonstrating any symptoms while they were present in our school buildings. Therefore, there are no precautionary measures that we can advise you to take at this time.

<u>So what do we do?</u>

All community members are encouraged to continue to follow the guidance that is being offered by all health professionals and our elected officials:

- 1. You need to stay home and only leave when necessary;
- 2. If you feel ill, contact your doctor;
- 3. Practice social-distancing;
- 4. If someone in your house is sick, they should self-quarantine; and
- 5. Continue to practice proper sneezing, coughing and handwashing etiquette.

At this time, I do not have any information as to when our schools may reopen and based upon conversations that I have had with State officials in recent days, I expect that the closure is likely to continue for some time to come. I also expect that our schools will be closed for spring break. In the interim, we in the Irvington schools will continue to do our best to provide high quality learning experiences, support the emotional well-being of students and staff and to keep spirits high.

I will continue to update you as more information becomes available.

All my best,

Kris

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