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Dear NSSD 112 Families,

Please be assured the student, staff and stakeholder health, safety and well-being continue to be our highest priorities at NSSD 112. Should the guidance or risk change causing the District to close, we are gathering resources for students to do while at home. The IDPH along with the Illinois Poison Center has set up a hotline for residents to call with questions about COVID-19. Call the hotline at 800-889-3931 or email DPH.SICK@illinois.gov.

In the meantime, we are taking proactive steps to increase efforts to prevent illness by doing the following:

- ABM disinfects all surfaces daily and has increased deep cleaning in the schools
- Monitoring student illness and attendance rates
- Encouraging frequent hand washing
- Increased access to hand sanitizing stations and disinfecting wipes in the schools

Please continue to follow these steps as recommended by the CDC and IDPH to help you and your family prevent illness:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick. Return after fever free for 24 hours.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

Please consult your healthcare provider if you have a concern for yourself or a family member shows symptoms of illness. Consult the CDC's travel [advisories](#) when preparing to travel outside of the country, particularly to already impacted areas.

In partnership,

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