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Important Health Information Regarding COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

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Dear Charlotte County Families,

Due to increased concern in the community regarding the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), Charlotte County Public Schools would like to provide some valuable health information. It is important to note that we are working in conjunction with the Charlotte County Department of Health, the Florida Department of Health (FDOH), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Currently, there are two confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Florida. However, this is a rapidly changing situation that we are monitoring closely. As always, your child's health and safety is our number one priority.

The FDOH and CDC recommend the following preventive measures:

- If you are sick, stay home. Students/school staff with a fever should be excluded from school until they are fever-free without medication for 24 hours. Contact your healthcare provider with any questions or concerns.
- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.
- Avoid sharing food, drinks, and other personal items with others.

For the most up-to-date on the Coronavirus, please visit the following CDC website:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

Thank you for your time and patience in this matter.
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