

# ***CROSS COUNTY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS***

***HOME OF THE COUGARS***

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Parents and Students of Cross County Community School,

The following is a proactive and precautionary notice in regards to COVID-19 (the Coronavirus). As of this morning there are still zero confirmed cases in Nebraska; the most up to date information regarding COVID-19 in Nebraska can be found at <http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx>.

We have reviewed our school policies and procedures and are confident that, if needed, we are prepared to respond to any outbreak of communicable disease that may occur. Currently, public health officials are not recommending the use of masks or gloves in public settings nor at this time are public health officials recommending that schools cancel class. Should this situation at some point interfere with the district's ordinary operations or schedule, you will be notified through our Alert Now system.

## **Symptoms**

Information to date suggests that coronavirus causes mild-to-moderate illness and symptoms like the flu, including fever, cough, and difficulty breathing.

## **Prevention**

There are currently no vaccines available to protect against this virus and the CDC recommends the following ways to minimize the spread of all respiratory viruses, including coronavirus:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when coughing or sneezing. If you use a tissue, throw it in the trash.

## **Additional Resources**

CDC's dedicated Coronavirus Website. **Link:** <https://www.cdc.gov/nCoV>

Public Health Solutions Website. **Link:** <http://phsneb.org>

<https://video.buffer.com/v/5e5eddfa8938b540a55c42d7>

Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns you might have regarding the coronavirus.

Sincerely,

Brent Hollinger, Superintendent