



In District 62 the health, safety and well-being of our students and staff are our top priorities. As a school district, we are closely monitoring the situation and taking guidance from the Cook County Department of Public Health and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Currently, District 62 schools will be closed March 16 through March 30. **While there are NO reported cases of COVID-19 coronavirus connected to any of our school districts at this time**, the safety, health and well being of the citizens of our community are the priority in making this decision.

We all play a role in reducing the likelihood of a coronavirus outbreak in our school district community. We encourage everyone to practice good habits, including:

- Wash your hands regularly, especially after using the restroom and before preparing or consuming food. Using soap and hot water, wash for about 20 seconds. Be sure to also wash your fingertips.
- Avoid coughing or sneezing into your hands or in the air. Always try to cough or sneeze into a tissue, and then throw the tissue away. If you don't have a tissue, cough/sneeze into your arm.
- As much as you can, avoid touching your eyes, mouth and nose.
- If children are feeling sick, please keep them home from school. Allow them some time to feel better so that they do not risk infecting others.

Below are resources we hope are helpful to our staff, students and families.

- [U.S. Department of Education information](#)
- [U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Coronavirus Disease \(COVID-19\) Information](#)
- [Understanding the Coronavirus](#)
- [Coronavirus: Multilingual Resources for Schools](#)
- [Exploring the New Coronavirus: a Comic Just For Kids](#)