

Dear Euclid Schools Families,

This message is in regard to the coronavirus outbreak. While there have been no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ohio as of today, I want to address concerns that you may have.

We receive information from the Cuyahoga County Board of Health, Ohio Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) concerning COVID-19. If we do experience a COVID-19 case, we will rely on these agencies for guidance on potential school closing and other actions to take.

Meanwhile, we can all minimize the spread of COVID-19 and other viruses by following CDC recommendations made during the flu season. These include:

- Washing your hands frequently for at least 20 seconds each time;
- Covering your nose and mouth when sneezing, sneezing into your elbow or sleeve, or sneezing into a tissue;
- Avoiding touching your eyes, nose, and mouth;
- Keeping children home when sick and not returning them to school for at least 24 hours of being fever-free without the use of medication.

Additionally, Euclid City Schools are taking the following steps to keep our schools and students safe:

- The school district follows CDC recommendations to clean classrooms, bathrooms, cafeterias and other surfaces frequently touched by students daily with antiviral solutions.
- Hand Sanitizer is available in our classrooms and in areas where soap and water are not available.
- The nursing staff is working with building principals to discuss preventative measures and answer questions.
- Preventative information is being shared with parents and caregivers of all students.

Again, there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ohio to date. I am sending this message as a precaution as health officials continue to warn of a likely outbreak in the United States.

The health, safety, and well-being of your children remain our top concern. Thank you for staying informed and supporting our health and safety practices.

Sincerely,

Christopher Papouras

Superintendent, Euclid City Schools

### **Coronavirus links**

[Cuyahoga County Board of Health: CCBH](#)

[Ohio Dept. of Health: COVID-19](#)

[CDC: 2019 Novel Coronavirus \(2019-nCoV\) Situation Summary](#)

**Talking to Children about the Coronavirus:**

<https://www.npr.org/sections/goatsandsoda/2020/02/28/809580453/just-for-kids-a-comic-exploring-the-new-coronavirus>