



Lind-Ritzville Cooperative Schools

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Dear Parents, Students & Staff,

As you know, many regions around the world are experiencing an expanding outbreak of respiratory illness caused by the novel coronavirus, known as COVID-19. Public health authorities believe that the global spread of this virus is inevitable.

For more information and answers to FAQ's you can follow these links:

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/preparing-individuals-communities.html>

The health and welfare of students and employees is always our first priority. We are in contact with local/state authorities, monitoring informational resources, and preparing to follow their lead. They ask that we remind communities that the risk of COVID-19 is not connected with race, ethnicity or nationality.

We encourage everyone to be vigilant in their usual cold/flu seasonal best practices, and stress the importance of improved hand hygiene. Custodians will continue with sanitation practices in classrooms and buildings. Of course, as with any illness, those who are sick should stay home.

With the possibility of a viral outbreak in our state, it is prudent for us to consider every possibility for the safe and orderly operation of our schools. We don't want to get ahead of ourselves, but do want to prepare for action rather than reaction.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at either district office: 677-3481 (Lind) or 659-1660 (Ritzville)

All my best,

Superintendent Don Vanderholm