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Dear Colleagues,

I wanted to update you about our ongoing discussions with leaders of the St. Joseph County Health Department and the Indiana State Department of Health regarding COVID-19. Under their guidance, my colleagues and I are continuously monitoring the situation and conferring with officials from our neighboring districts.

This afternoon, officials from the St. Joseph County Health Department confirmed the first case within our county. At this time, the ISDH and county officials are not recommending that we close our school district.

We will continue to work closely with, and take direction from, the St. Joseph County Health Department and the ISDH. Our nurses, building engineers, teachers and staff are taking extra precautions and working to disinfect common contact surfaces.

As information changes, please continue to follow the Centers for Disease Control (CDC)'s website for recommendations and guidelines. Please remember to wash your hands often and thoroughly for at least 20 seconds. Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth. And if you are sick, stay home for a minimum of 24 hours once you are without symptoms or fever.

You may also contact the St. Joseph County Department of Health at (574) 235.9750 for more information.

As always, our students and community's safety and health are our first and utmost priorities. We will keep you informed of any changes.

Sincerely,

Dr. Todd Cummings

Superintendent