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Dear North Stonington Public Schools Students, Families and Staff:

North Stonington Public Schools has been following the national and local media regarding the Novel (New) Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) with obvious concerns since the outbreak in Asia, Europe and with confirmed cases in the United States. The Connecticut Department of Public Health (CDPH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is working hard to learn as much as possible about this new virus so that they can better understand how it spreads and its associated illness. We continue to receive updates from the CDPH and the CDC. As you are aware, I recently began posting information about the COVID-19 on our website.

We want to be sure that any information on COVID-19 provided by the district as well as any precautions that need to be taken is timely and most importantly, accurate. Feel free to go online to the Ledge Light Health District <https://llhd.org/> who will be providing valuable accurate information.

Just as I have done every cold and flu season throughout my administrative career, I speak with our nurses and health professionals regularly to see if there are any significant increases in any particular type of illness. The health of our students and staff, I am happy to report, has been relatively well with some of the usual illnesses reported this winter. In the past, when I have seen a "spike," I notify the state department of health.

We can all work together to keep our students, families and staff healthy by doing the tried and true simple things such as covering your nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing, washing our hands with soap and water frequently, eating well, getting plenty of rest and by all means, stay home from school when sick.

Sincerely,

Peter L. Nero
Superintendent of Schools