

March 12, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As coronavirus continues to spread across the country, we understand that some of our families may want to self-quarantine due to a potential exposure to the illness. We ask anyone who may have had a potential exposure to coronavirus to please report it to the Fox Chapel Area School District, which is an action recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

As of today, our schools remain open. Please know that we continue to monitor the situation closely and will follow the guidance of the Allegheny County Health Department and the CDC, as well as the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

We ask that if your child is not going to be in school for more than three days to please contact your building principal to make arrangements to receive the classwork that he/she will be missing. Students who exceed absences beyond Fox Chapel Area School District's attendance policy because of self-reporting/self-quarantining due to coronavirus will not be penalized as long as his/her parents or guardians remain in contact with the building principal for the duration of his/her absence.

Although this health crisis is posing unprecedented challenges, please know that we are ready to navigate a number of situations that may arise. We are here for our families, and we want to be able to offer our support in any way that we can. Please know that with any decision, the health and safety of our students, families, staff, and the other members of our educational community are our top priority.

Sincerely,

David McCommons, Ed.D  
Deputy Superintendent