CLIFFSIDE PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As you are aware, there continues to be information and discussion about the Coronavirus in our area. I recently posted helpful information to our website from the NJ Department of Health; Below are the sites:

NJ Health Department: https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/ncov.shtml

School Health Information: https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/schoolhealth.shtml

Please follow the guidelines that our nursing staff has shared with you when dealing with any possible illness http://www.cliffsidepark.edu/index.php/health-issues/. If your child is feeling ill, he or she should remain home until the illness has passed. It is also suggested that you contact your physician for consultation. Also, please reinforce with your child, hand washing, covering one's mouth and nose when sneezing and to minimize personto-person contact. We have increased our district's cleaning and sanitizing by aggressively treating all contact surfaces throughout the school day and overnight.

At this time there is no community spread of this virus so there is no reason for panic or concern.

If you are planning an overseas trip it is important that you contact your building principal with the following information; 1) Date and return of trip, 2) Where you are going and 3) Reason for this absence from school.

If we should be required to close a school or the district by the NJDOH or the health officer of our borough, we will follow the suggestions provided by the NJ Department of Education. This would be a "virtual school day". This means that staff will report to work and will be providing lessons to students remotely. The expectation is that students will be doing work in each of their subjects. All teachers will be available to answer questions online as well as, student attendance and the completion of assignments will be tracked. Our goal is to keep the teaching and learning moving forward. Chromebooks will be made available for all students in grades 6-12. When these plans are finalized, our administration will share additional information with you.

A technology survey is posted on our website and parent portal which will assist my staff in developing a plan. I urge you to complete this survey as soon as possible.

Please be assured that we are taking every precaution to provide for the well-being and safety of your child. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your child's Principal or my office directly.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Romagnino Superintendent of Schools