



## Vicksburg Community Schools

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March 11, 2020

Dear VCS Parents / Guardians:

There is a significant amount of information circulating in the media and on social media regarding Coronavirus, also known as COVID-19. Vicksburg Community Schools is monitoring the situation and following the guidance and expertise of national, state, and local health officials to help protect our students and staff from all communicable diseases.

We encourage all families to take the everyday preventative measures listed below to minimize the spread of communicable diseases. These include:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are unavailable.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Stay home when you are sick.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) does not recommend the use of facemasks for the general public.

VCS is working closely with our custodial staff to ensure cleaning practices are enhanced throughout our buildings and will follow all directions provided by public health officials to prevent and limit the spread of the virus. We will alert students, staff, and parents if we receive any direction from our public health officials related to Coronavirus. Any potential school closing due to illness will be directed by public health officials. Our first priority will always be the health and safety of our students and staff.

For more information, contact your local healthcare provider or visit [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov), <https://www.kalcounty.com/hcs/>, or [www.michigan.gov/coronavirus](http://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kevin J. O'Neill', is written over a circular stamp or seal.

Kevin J. O'Neill  
Superintendent

