



Amesbury Public Schools

Office of the Superintendent of Schools

February 26, 2020

Dear Families,

As many of you are aware the CDC and State Departments of Health are closely monitoring the COVID-19 (Corona) Virus. As the Superintendent I have been in contact with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE).

At this moment it is recommended that schools continue to follow their regular cleaning and disinfection program and that students and staff practice good hygiene ie. Hand washing, covering your coughs/sneezes and remaining home when sick.

The DPH reports that "*the risk to our residents remains low*". However we still have a high risk of influenza in our schools and community at large. To this end if your child is sick please keep them home until they are fever-free for at least 24 hours.

I will continue to work with the appropriate state officials to monitor the situation and will update you all as necessary. In the meantime, the DPH has created a webpage to help keep people informed. www.mass.gov/2019coronavirus

Or you may call the DPH Epidemiology Line at (617)983-6800

Together we can help keep our schools safe and healthy.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jared Fulgoni", is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Jared Fulgoni