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USD 445 Coffeyville Public Schools have been working closely with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) as well as our Health Clinics regarding the Coronavirus. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) have provided updates on the Coronavirus (COVID-19). At this time, the U.S. continues to be at low risk for Coronavirus for the general population. The CDC has increased the travel warning areas to include: China, Iran, Italy, Japan, and South Korea.

Of note, there are currently no cases in Kansas. Testing and monitoring of individuals who have had potential exposure (or Person Under Investigation - PUI) are done through KDHE. Currently, Kansas has had one negative test and one PUI with testing pending.

Remember the best way to protect yourself and others from all respiratory germs (including COVID-19) is:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.
- To keep from spreading respiratory illness to others, you should:
 - Stay home when you are sick.
 - Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue away in the trash.

We will continue to monitor the situation and follow our health and safety procedures.

Resources:

www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus

www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/