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Parents and Students at the Rose Academies,

There have been many questions related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19); therefore, I am writing to provide you with an update on our response to keep our students and staff healthy.

* We are reminding students about prevention practices to minimize spread such as washing their hands, using hand sanitizer, and covering their coughs and sneezes with facial tissue or elbow.
* We are conducting routine cleaning of the school facility.
* We are disinfecting high-touch surfaces – such as our computers, door handles, etc. daily.
	+ In addition, we are providing students with disinfecting wipes so that they can also wipe down their computer workstations before each use.
* We are asking students and staff to stay home if they are sick, especially with respiratory symptoms. We are recommending students and staff with flu-like illness to stay home for 24 hours after fever or chills resolve without use of fever-reducing medications.

**There is no recommendation for statewide school closures from the Arizona Department of Health Services or any county Department of Public Health at this time.** We are determining a plan of action in the event that we are advised by the health department to close any of our Rose Schools. We will continue to monitor and work with the Pima County Department of Health and will update students and families of any changes via email as well as the information will be posted on our school Facebook pages.

More information on Coronavirus (COVID-19) can be found at the Arizona Department of Health [www.azhealth.gov](http://www.azhealth.gov) and Pima County Department of Health <https://webcms.pima.gov/government/health_department/>

In addition, a Coronavirus (COVID-19) hotline has been set up to answer any questions from the public and healthcare providers about testing, symptoms, and any other questions you have about the virus.

* 520-626-6016 or 1-844-542-8201 to reach a health care professional

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your school principal.

Sincerely,

Kelly Hurtado, Ed.D

Superintendent