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Dear AAESA Families:

As you are probably aware, Governor Whitmer has declared a State of Emergency in Michigan with two confirmed cases of COVID-19, also known as the Coronavirus. Please know we continue to have constant communication with Allegan County Health Department who are in direct communication with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services along with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Allegan Area ESA continues to make decisions based upon facts and recommendations from our local, State and National health experts. Our custodial staff continues to do an excellent job of making sure our buildings are cleaned and disinfected on a daily basis.

The use of good hygiene practices has been shown to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and other respiratory diseases.

- Stay home if you are sick and advise others to do the same.
- Always cover coughs or sneezes with a tissue or sleeve.
- 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 warm water for at least 20 seconds.
- Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol if soap and warm water are not available.

We will continue to monitor and adapt to this evolving situation and keep you updated as we receive new information or guidance. The safety and well-being of our students, staff and family are of utmost importance.

Sincerely,

William Brown
Allegan Area ESA Superintendent



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