A Message From the Superintendent

Dear Parents:

With the two known cases of Coronavirus in Michigan, information is changing on an hour-by-hour basis, and we are monitoring it closely.

Here is what we know and plan to do in WLCSD to keep our children and staff safe:

- **Cancel all international travel.**
- **Continue to follow all guidance from the CDC, WHO, MDE, Oakland County Health Department, Oakland Schools, and others as we navigate this issue.** We are staying abreast of what is happening with:
  - Level III CDC designated countries.
  - How Coronavirus is being handled throughout our country and the world.
  - University responses.
- **Continue recommended cleaning and hygiene:**
  - Daily practices with staff and students, especially thorough washing of hands and using hand sanitizer. We are asking to minimize handshakes and high fives, etc. with students and staff.
  - 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.
  - **Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces (computers, keyboards, desks, etc.). The Information Technology Department has ordered disinfecting wipes for routine cleaning of all Chromebooks across the District. IT staff will be working to ensure all technology is cleaned to minimize the potential spread of illness.**

- **Potential Closure:** While we know some universities have closed in Michigan, we are working to prepare for the possibility. We rely on the guidance of the Governor and health officials to make decisions about closing schools; until such time, Walled Lake Schools will continue school. I assure you, we will make decisions as to how to proceed as quickly as possible.

As always, parents have the final decision on whether or not to send their children to school.
Thank you for your continued support of our schools, our staff, and our children.

Kenneth Gutman

Superintendent of Schools

Walled Lake Consolidated School District