



Tidioute Community Charter School
Providing a World Class Education in a Small Town Environment

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Tidioute Community Charter School has been monitoring the coronavirus outbreak and would like to share some information with you regarding coronavirus (COVID-19.) At this time, Pennsylvania has had confirmed cases of COVID-19.

TCCS will continue monitoring student and staff absences and will report to the Pennsylvania Department of Health for any illness that may be related to COVID-19. Currently, most fever and respiratory symptoms are likely caused by the flu (influenza) and other respiratory illnesses rather than coronavirus. However, staff and students who have traveled to an area with widespread transmission of COVID-19 are asked to stay home and self-isolate for 14 days after travel, and those who develop symptoms like fever, cough, or difficulty breathing should call the Department of Health 1-877-PA-HEALTH and their Doctor's office/ER before going to be evaluated.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that schools perform routine cleaning of frequently touch surfaces. Our custodial staff is trained to use appropriate disinfectants in a safe and effective manner. Anti-bacterial wipes and hand sanitizers are also available for teachers and students to use.

The same precautions that help prevent colds and the flu also help protect against COVID-19.

- Wash hands with soap and running water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol. Avoid touching your mouth, eyes, and nose.
- Avoid contact with people who are sick and stay home if you are sick. Students/staff should remain at home until fever-free for 24 hours without taking medication.
- Cover your cough and sneezes with your elbow.

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You can visit the CDC website for updates regarding COVID-19 and the latest guidance including fact sheets at www.cdc.gov

Please contact your primary care physician if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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