

Science Language & Arts

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Dear SLA families:

This week, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention discussed possible options for what could happen if there is local person-to-person transmission of the novel coronavirus in the United States, including recommendations for school systems to consider. Currently there are no confirmed cases of novel coronavirus in New York City and the risk to New Yorkers remains low.

I've attached a letter and FAQ from the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene that ask you to read carefully for the latest information.

SLA is closely following information and recommendations from public health officials regarding coronavirus. We are committed to providing timely information to our community should further measures become necessary.

In the meantime, please continue to practice general flu season preventative measures:

- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue or sleeve
- Wash your hands regularly, *including when you arrive at school*
- Avoid touching your face
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Get your flu shot -- it's never too late!
- Stay home if you're feeling sick. Call your doctor and let them know your symptoms and travel history

Please don't hesitate to contact me with questions, and let us know how we can support you!

Warm regards,
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