



Coronavirus Update

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The Oldham County Board of Education is committed to the health and safety of our students and staff and understand there are concerns about the novel coronavirus. Therefore, district administrators recently met with the local health department to review disease outbreak response plans.

The Oldham County Health Department is in daily communication with the Kentucky Department for Public Health, who is carefully assessing the situation as it evolves. Although coronaviruses are a group of viruses that aren't new, this is a new type of coronavirus that health officials are still learning about.

At this time, the health risk to the general public in Kentucky and in Oldham County remains low. The Oldham County Health Department will continue to monitor this event locally along with the Kentucky Department for Public Health and will implement guidance and directives as received by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

As a best practice for overall health, get your seasonal influenza vaccine and engage in everyday preventative measures to prevent the spread of germs such as:

- Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use alcohol-based hand sanitizers
- Avoid touching eyes, mouth and nose with unwashed hands
- Avoid close contact with individuals who are sick
- Stay home when you are sick. The CDC recommends that individuals remain home for at least 24 hours after you no longer have a fever (i.e., chills, warm flushed appearance)
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then immediately discard
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces

For more information, visit oldhamcountyhealthdepartment.org or contact the OCHD with questions or concerns at 502.222.3516.