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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this message finds you well. I would like to update you on what I currently know about the Coronavirus and how that will affect your child's education.

Please know that we have been taking a measured and active response to this virus. We have been disinfecting the desks, door handles, bathrooms, and all touchable surfaces in the school for over a month. We continue to encourage individuals to wash their hands regularly, cover coughs and sneezes and throw away used tissues in a wastebasket. These simple yet timeless measures greatly assist in remaining healthy.

At this time, there have been no confirmed cases of Covid-19 in Sussex County. The New Jersey Department of Education has regularly updated the Superintendents in the county and has sent out guidelines for allowing distance learning to occur only in the case of schools being asked to close preemptively or reactively. This closing would be a written directive by either the County DOE, NJDOH or the health officer of the jurisdiction to institute a public health-related closure. The teachers and Administration will be developing educational plans that will be implemented in case we are directed to close for any duration of time. ***We will be following an early dismissal schedule this Friday (3/13)*** to allow our personnel to prepare and plan for any scenarios we may face due to a prolonged closure. An updated Pandemic Plan has been uploaded to the school website and on our Facebook page. If there is a local alert regarding a health concern, the proper Sussex County Health and Human Services officials will contact us and we will share their plan. I will attempt to give as much notice as possible in regards to this plan or closings should it be necessary.

Please review the links below for additional information and should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

[https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/documents/topics/NCOV/COVID19\\_schools\\_FINAL\\_3.4.20.pdf](https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/documents/topics/NCOV/COVID19_schools_FINAL_3.4.20.pdf)

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/prevention-treatment.html>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/checklist.html>

Thanks for your continued support and understanding during this atypical time period.

Sincerely,

David Astor  
Superintendent  
Ogdensburg Public School