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Students, Parents and Community Stakeholders,

At present today, there are four presumptive cases of the coronavirus in the state of Pennsylvania, one being in Delaware County. Those individuals are being isolated in their homes as they had traveled to areas where the coronavirus was present. School superintendents and officials participated in a conference call with County Officials late Friday afternoon to discuss this issue, and we were told that the Department of Health has advocated no cancellation of public events or community gatherings, as this is not considered community spread.

The Pennsylvania Department of Health is advising that if you have returned from **Iran, China, Italy or South Korea**, you should stay home and self-isolate yourself for 14 days after travel and alert the health department at 1-877-724-3258.

It is suggested to use the same precautions you would to prevent the flu or common cold:

- Cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze with your elbow to avoid touching your face
- Wash your hands often with soap and warm/hot water for at least 20 seconds
- Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available
- Clean surfaces frequently, including countertops, light switches, cell phones, remotes, and other frequently touched items
- If you are feeling sick, stay home. rest, take care of yourself and don't spread the germs.

As a precaution, the DCIU facilities team has been proactively working this weekend to deep clean all of our facilities, and we will continue to diligently clean all frequently touched surfaces in the workplace, such as doorknobs, handrails, workstations, sinks and countertops.

The Pennsylvania Department of Health will continue to post the most up to date information to keep the general public informed (www.health.pa.gov), and we will continue to provide you information regarding any changes at the Delaware County Intermediate Unit.

Sincerely,

Dr. Maria Edelberg
Executive Director