



Dr. Kathy Goad

Superintendent

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we continue to monitor the information coming to us about the spread of COVID-19 (coronavirus) we want to keep you informed. We receive updates multiple times a day from the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) and the Greene County Health Department. At this time there are **no** cases of COVID-19 identified in Greene County or in our schools, which places us on **plan and prepare** status.

The following preventative steps are currently being taken in each of our schools:

- Routine environmental cleaning of frequently touched surfaces such as doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handrails, and keyboard is being performed continuously
- Students and staff who are sick are encouraged to stay home
- Students or staff who arrive at school sick or become sick while at school will be sent home as soon as possible
- Sick students and staff are kept separate from well students until they can leave
- We will exercise flexibility in our attendance policies for staff and students who are ill and cannot attend school or work
- We will follow any directives which come to us through the IDOE, the Greene County Health Department or any other organization with authoritative power over schools

We have received many questions on the possibility of Linton-Stockton Schools closing. We realize the hardship an unexpected closure would place on parents and caregivers. We have plans in place to provide continuous learning opportunities through eLearning and to provide weekday lunch to students. This information will be released to parents and posted on our website should a closure become imminent. At this time, we foresee three situations which would cause us to close 1) if the virus is confirmed in Greene County we **may** close, 2) if the virus is confirmed within our schools we **will** close, and 3) we **will** close if advised to do so by an authoritative power.

Thank you for your patience and support as we continue to monitor and respond to this developing concern.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kathy Goad

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