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## **RE; Woodland Joint Unified School District Novel Coronavirus Update**

The Woodland Unified School District has been notified by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to urge our sites to prepare for possible 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreaks. As with all health-related issues, our administrators and district office have been working closely with Yolo County Public Health to ensure student and staff safety.

Last night, the CDC confirmed the first case of Novel Coronavirus in Solano County. Yolo County **does not** have any confirmed cases. Yolo County Public Health Department and WJUSD keeps frequent communication should any cases arise. The general public risk is still low at this time. We can assure you that our staff is doing everything in their power to keep school sites disinfected and clean for all students and staff. It is our standard protocol to perform routine surface cleaning throughout our school sites and offices.

We are encouraging all students, parents and staff to:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching your face
- Avoid contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash and wash your hands.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- If you suspect you are sick with flu, get tested by your doctor.
- Get vaccinated for flu. It is not too late!

We understand the Novel Coronavirus is a concern for many of our parents. We ask that you keep in mind that this is a virus and it is not specific to any single race or ethnicity. Please speak with your children about cultural sensitivity during this challenging time.

We will continue to provide further updates from the CDC and Yolo County Public Health as they become available. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with your school principal or look for updates on our home school web site and/or district website.