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Dear parents and students of Archer City Junior High and High School,

We would like to inform you that we have recently received information about at least one confirmed case of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in a student or staff member at Archer City Junior High/High School. Cleaning and disinfecting of the exposed location have been completed. As the Coronavirus situation in our country and our community is developing quickly, we urge you to take necessary precautions to limit coronavirus spread in our community. As we go into cold and flu season, it is a reminder that we are still in the midst of a pandemic. Masks and face shields are required as students and staff are here on campus, in accordance with the Governor's executive order.

How You Can Help

Be proactive about reducing the number of interactions that students and staff have with one another by practicing physical (or social) distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart) to limit the spread of the coronavirus. In addition to physical distancing, another important tool to prevent the spread of coronavirus is to practice good hygiene. Important public health prevention messages include:

- **Stay home when you are sick.** Anyone with symptoms consistent with COVID 19 should remain at home in isolation for a minimum of 10 days plus at least 3 days after the resolution of fever (without fever-reducing medication) and improvement in other symptoms.
- **Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.** Sing the Happy Birthday song to help know when it has been 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use alcohol-based hand sanitizers that contain at least 60% alcohol.
- **Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue, and then dispose of the tissue and clean your hands immediately.** If you do not have a tissue, use their sleeve, not your hands, to cover their coughs and sneezes.
- **Limit close contact with people who are sick, and avoid sharing food, drinks, or utensils.**
- **Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipes.**



- All students and staff should **wear a mask or face covering while in the Educational Setting.**

Public Health Actions

All confirmed cases should be isolated and close contacts quarantined for at least 10 days from last exposure in order to prevent illness in new persons. “Close contact” means being a household member, intimate contact, or caregiver of a confirmed or suspected COVID-19 case; within 6 feet of the confirmed or suspected COVID-19 case for more than 15 minutes, even if wearing a non-medical face covering; or having unprotected contact with the infected person’s body fluids and/or secretions, for example, being coughed or sneezed on.

Please note that all information, including the name(s) of ill persons, shared regarding any Public Health investigation is confidential in order to protect patient privacy. If you have any questions about keeping your students as safe as possible in the pandemic, please feel free to contact me directly at (940)574-4713 ext. 1021 or jsherrill@archercityisd.net .

Sincerely,

Dr. John Sherrill
Principal – Archer City JHHS