



Kit Carson Union Elementary School District

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You may have heard of the Coronavirus outbreak and you may wonder how Kit Carson Union Elementary School District is prepared to handle this unfolding event. Not only are we closely monitoring the developments, we are maintaining close contact with our local public health agencies to keep up-to-date on this evolving situation. Our district is following existing safety practices to minimize the spread of illness and to encourage good health.

Currently, the health risk to the general public of California from Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) remains low and normal school activities are continuing. In the meantime, we continue to take common-sense precautions to prevent the spread of all infectious diseases. At school we encourage preventative actions, including:

- Routinely cleaning frequently touched surfaces. Our custodians daily disinfect high contact surfaces like desks, counters, doorknobs and bathrooms
- Washing hands with soap and water frequently
- Avoiding touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Staying home when you are sick. If running a fever, it is recommended that students remain at home until the fever has been gone for at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medicines
- Covering your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash
- Our school nurse is a valued partner in our healthy school efforts, and will assist if a student falls ill while at school

Kit Carson Union Elementary School District will implement directives recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the California Department of Public Health, and the Kings County Department of Public Health. Parents can keep up with the latest news about the coronavirus outbreak and actions recommended by these agencies.

- Centers for Disease Control at <https://www.cdc.gov/>
- California Department of Public Health at <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/>
- Kings County Department of Public Health at <https://www.countyofkings.com/departments/health-welfare/public-health>

As new information is available, or if public health recommendations for schools change, we will keep our community informed.

Sincerely,

Robin Jones
Superintendent/Principal

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