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Dear Parents/Guardians:

As you are likely aware, there has been much discussion in the media about the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Valley Stream School District 24 has been following the Nassau County Department of Health guidelines and has been in consultation with Nassau BOCES as well. I want to assure you that we are monitoring the situation and have plans in place should the situation escalate.

Students, staff and school visitors can take the following precautions if they have symptoms of the virus or know someone who has symptoms:

• Stay home, except to get medical care.

• Avoid using public transportation.

• Wear a facemask, only if you have symptoms.

• Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue, and discard used tissues in a lined trash can.

• Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or clean hands with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

• Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

• Clean all "high-touch" surfaces every day, including counters, tabletops, doorknobs, bathroom fixtures, toilets, phones, keyboards, tablets, and bedside tables.

• Monitor symptoms and seek medical attention if they worsen.

At this time the most important thing to do is to take the above precautions and not panic. I will communicate any changes or updates that are shared with school districts.

Sincerely,

Dr. Don Sturz
Superintendent of Schools