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Dear KIS Community,

Given the World Health Organization's warnings about the possible public health emergency of international concern surrounding the outbreak of novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV), all faculty, staff, students, and parents who traveled to China, Hong Kong, or Macau over the past week and, as always, anyone who is experiencing fever, must stay away from campus for the remainder of this week.

The health and well being of our school community is always our top priority. Given the uncertainty of this contagious virus and the recent confirmation that the virus can be spread from human to human even prior to symptoms showing during the reported one week to fourteen day incubation period, we are taking every precaution to avoid the possible spread of coronavirus in our community.

If your child is staying home tomorrow due to fever or travel to China over the past week, please contact the school office to report his or her absence. We will be working with faculty to support students in keeping up with their learning and rejoining their classmates as soon as possible.

We will continue to monitor the situation and make a decision next Sunday, February 2, based on current World Health Organization and Center for Disease Control reports about whether to extend or lift the quarantine.

We look forward to welcoming all faculty, staff, students, and families back to campus as soon as we are cleared to do so. Please let us know how we can best support your child during his or her absence. We want to be sure our students, especially, know that we are looking forward to their return and want to be sure we are caring for our community and taking all necessary steps to prevent possible spread of illness. Building principals will follow up with students and families tomorrow to share additional information about how we can best support our students and school community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Michelle Quirin'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'M' and 'Q'.

Michelle Quirin  
School Director