

Lighthouse Academies of Northwest Indiana, Inc.

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Dear Families,

Lighthouse Academies of Northwest Indiana (LANWI) is committed to provide you with updates regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19). There is currently **no evidence** that coronavirus is in any of our schools. We are closely monitoring this public health situation and following the recommendations from the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The CDC reports that the risk of infection in the United States is still low, as the virus has had limited person-to-person spread in the United States at this time. It is important to listen to facts and not respond to fear.

The health and safety of all our students continues to be our first priority. As this develops, we are enhancing certain protocols that include:

- Ensuring all bathrooms are continuously stocked with soap and paper towels
- Encouraging students and staff to wash hands frequently
- Continued messaging to students, families and staff
- Focusing on extra cleaning in high traffic areas

There are no plans to close our schools at this time. This is an extreme measure and the decision to close will be taken at the direction of public health experts. We want to remind all parents, families and staff to verify your contact information with your school in order to receive the most up-to-date information and to be contacted in case of an emergency. We also ask that our community only shares trusted sources of information. For the most reliable information, please visit:

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention www.cdc.gov/coronavirus.
- Indiana State Department of Health <https://www.in.gov/isdh/28470.htm>

Should you, or your child, experience symptoms such as fever, cough, and shortness of breath and have a recent history of travel or contact with someone suspected of having COVID-19, please notify the school immediately and visit your healthcare provider.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the main office at your school.

Sincerely,

Jessica Beasley
Superintendent

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