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Dear Hazelwood School District Staff and Families:

Today we received information that one HSD staff member at Russell Elementary School and an educational consultant for our district at Walker Elementary School self-quarantined due to distant contact with persons who currently are undergoing testing for Coronavirus. However, these two individuals were not showing any symptoms and have self-quarantined as a precautionary measure. Our District Health Team has been in contact with the St. Louis County Department of Health and Centers for Disease Control. According to their reports, these individuals pose low to no risk to our students and staff as they were twice-removed from the persons undergoing testing.

[Click here for information from the CDC addressing exposure risk categories to help guide public health.](#)

The District will continue exercising due diligence in keeping you informed of pertinent information as we receive it. We understand the stress and uncertainty this situation can cause, but we know that preventative measures, as well as accurate information, are key. To that end, the Hazelwood School District will follow all recommendations from the CDC and the county health department for maintaining a healthy school environment. You may also refer to my previous letter dated March 4. For additional information on the Coronavirus, please visit our website [Hazelwood School District](#) on the homepage under quick links. As you prepare for spring break in the coming weeks, if you have specific questions about travel, please [click here for CDC Information for Travelers](#) or contact:

St. Louis County Department of Health 314-615-2660  
CDC Coronavirus Line 1-800-232-4636

In an effort to provide you the most current information, as of March 9, there is only one reported case of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Missouri. To reiterate, the CDC continues to believe the risk of the virus to the American public at large remains low at this time.

Thank you for helping to keep our students healthy.

Sincerely,

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