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Dear Griswold Public Schools Staff, Students, and Families:

In light of the widespread media coverage on the coronavirus, we wanted to take a proactive step with this communication. While we are not concerned, at this juncture, with the flu or the coronavirus, we would like to review what we do to keep the best interests of safety and public health in mind:

- We continue to stay in constant contact with the Town of Griswold, the Uncas Health District, and the State of Connecticut on the flu epidemic and the coronavirus.
- The Uncas Health District sends us regular updates on this matter to ensure that our practices are consistent with the region.
- Our School Nurses closely monitor absences daily, and our School Nurse Coordinator communicates with our contracted district physician regularly on this matter.
- Our Administrative Team, Nurse Coordinator, Director of Food Services, and Director of Facilities have reviewed our emergency plan, in the event we have to respond to an epidemic. Once again, at this time, there has not been a need to enact the components of this plan.
- Our Custodial Staff, in addition to their normal cleaning schedules, has taken extra precautions with additional disinfection during this time.
- Our Bus Company, STA-Griswold, reports that in addition to the daily cleaning of the buses, they have taken extra precautions with extra disinfection during this period.

Know that, once again, the spirit of this communication is to provide you with an update of the steps we have taken at this point. We have no concerns to report at this time. For anyone who would like to research extra preventative steps, we encourage you to visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/prevention-treatment.html>. We hope that you find this communication helpful.

Sincerely yours,

Sean P. McKenna,
Superintendent of Schools