



March 12, 2020

Important Safety Information (Corona Virus)

There is a presumptive positive case of the Coronavirus being reported by DHEC in Lancaster County. We have not been notified by the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control that this case is related to any school at this time. This may change once they work through their investigation of contacts for the person presumed positive.

We will notify you immediately of any information we receive.

We are immediately suspending all field trips in-state and out-of-state. We are asking for parents to not contact schools about trip refunds because we are working through the booking agencies and seeking refunds and other alternatives. Schools will reach out to you by Friday afternoon with more information on cancelled trips.

We are going to limit outside school visitors and volunteers to our schools immediately for the health and safety of our students and staff. Those needing to visit our schools will be asked to remain in the office area to conduct their business.

School athletics and athletic travel will continue as of now. This will be subject to change depending on the circumstances we might face.

We will release a full plan on our Coronavirus Response tomorrow. We are meeting with our administrators in unison tomorrow for a full meeting on this subject. Our schools will continue to operate on a normal schedule.

This event is one that creates great stress for many people and we understand that. Please know we will do everything within our power to be transparent and forthright with our parents. We will work to make the best decisions for our students and staff.

Regular updates will follow.

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Dr. Jonathan Phipps
Superintendent