

COVID-19 commonly known as the Corona Virus, is definitely in the news these days.

I just wanted to send something out to the school community to let you know that currently we have no known cases in Cass County, but as a school district we are doing everything we can to help ensure healthy habits here at school.

Guidance from the Illinois Department of Public Health, IDPH, and the Center for Disease Control, CDC, says that the best thing that you can do to help prevent the spread of this virus and the flu as well is to wash your hands frequently with soap and water. We continually encourage students to wash their hands and use the hand sanitizer that is located throughout the building in hallway dispensers.

The custodial staff is working very hard to disinfect the entire school with special emphasis on door handles, water fountains and classroom desks.

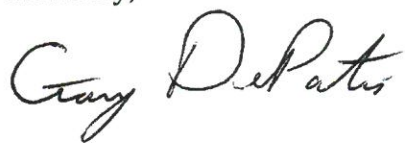
If your child is ill, and especially if they are running a fever, they should stay home to help decrease the spread of illness throughout the school and in turn the community.

Below is a link to the Cass County Health Department's webpage that contains links to the CDC and IDPH websites for further guidance.

<https://www.casscohealth.org/Coronavirus-Disease-2019>

If you have further questions it is recommended that you contact your personal doctor or the Cass County Health Department, 217-452-3057 or 217-323-2242.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary DePatis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "G" and "D".

Gary DePatis
Superintendent