



**Calhoun County Public Schools
Office of the Superintendent**

Dr. Steve Aaron Wilson
Superintendent

March 5, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardians:

The global health crisis, Coronavirus Disease, is being closely monitored by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, DHEC, as well as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, CDC. As of March 5, 2020, there are 96,739 known cases of the disease worldwide. There are 160 confirmed cases in the United States, none of which are in South Carolina.

The Calhoun County Public Schools is following the guidance supplied by DHEC to prevent the spread of the disease. While in the school and the general public, everyone is encouraged to practice the following precautions:

- Promote hand washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Use alcohol based hand sanitizer
- Encourage the sick to stay at home
- Use respiratory etiquette; avoiding frequent touching of eyes, nose, and mouth
- Cover mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing
- Cough or sneeze into the sleeve at the elbow or shoulder when tissue is not available
- Encourage respiratory etiquette by making hand hygiene supplies, tissue, and waste receptacles available
- Sanitize commonly touched surfaces and objects

All restrooms of Calhoun County Public Schools are outfitted with soap dispensers for hand washing after restroom use. You will soon see hand sanitizer stations strategically placed throughout each of our schools. Students are encouraged to visit the school nurse when not feeling well. Students who are registered with the Family Health Centers may take advantage of the telemedicine program where they can remotely visit with a doctor.

For more information about Coronavirus Disease; the symptoms and precautions, please access the DHEC website at www.scdhec.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ferlondo Tullock". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "F".

Ferlondo Tullock
Deputy Superintendent

cc: Dr. Steve Wilson, Superintendent