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Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Floral Park-Bellerose School District Families and School Community:

As more cases of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) are confirmed in our district and community, I am encouraging you to visit the link below for more information on: *What to Do If You Are Sick or Feel Sick*, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html>. Also, please visit the link below for more information on *15 Days to Slow the Spread of COVID-19*, https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/03.16.20_coronavirus-guidance_8.5x11_315PM.pdf. The Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Hotline Number is 1-888-364-3065.

As of today, March 24, 2020, a member of the immediate family of one of our staff members, as well as a student at John Lewis Childs School have tested positive for the COVID-19 Coronavirus (confirmed by the Department of Health). I have been in direct contact with the Nassau County Department of Health and per their guidelines, the risk of infection is lessened as time from exposure increases. As such, the closure of schools since March 13, 2020 serves to have limited exposure. However, it was recommended that if you experience any of the following symptoms (dry cough, fever, shortness of breath), contact your physician immediately for further medical guidance.

Please continue to follow the CDC's recommendations of hand washing, social distancing, covering your mouth, and seeking proper medical care if needed.

As always, we are here to support you in any way as the health and safety of our students, staff and community remain our top priority. Please reach out to your principal or me via email and we will assist you in any way we can.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kathleen Sottile

Superintendent of Schools