



# CORONAVIRUS: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

## how to protect yourself & others

### WILL MY STUDENT GET IN TROUBLE FOR STAYING HOME SICK FROM SCHOOL?



No. We want our students to be at school. However, when they are sick, they should stay home. The same applies to our staff. We need our staff to be healthy so they can care for our children, therefore, they should stay home when they are sick, too. We ask that students and staff stay home until they are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever lowering medications.

### WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF ILLNESS?

We have put additional plans into place to increase the disinfection of schools. We use a hospital-grade disinfectant cleaner called Virex to clean daily.

We are instructing students to wash their hands frequently using warm water and soap for a minimum of 20 seconds, as well as to cover their coughs and sneezes.

### HOW WILL MILFORD SCHOOLS HANDLE AN OUTBREAK OF ILLNESS IF IT OCCURS?



For more than 10 years, Milford Schools has had a Pandemic Flu Response Plan in place. We are in the process of updating our plan to include what we know and understand thus far about the COVID-19 virus and its potential impact on the daily operations of our schools. We are working closely with local and state departments of public health and following their recommendations.

## EAGLES, LET'S STAY HEALTHY!

To help prevent the spread of illness, follow these important tips:



**WASH YOUR HANDS FREQUENTLY**



**USE A TISSUE WHEN YOU COUGH OR SNEEZE**



**IF YOU ARE SICK STAY HOME FROM SCHOOL**

**WASH YOUR HANDS:** Wash your hands frequently, especially after using the restroom and before preparing or consuming food. Wash for 20 seconds, using soap and hot water. Be sure to wash your fingertips.

**USE A TISSUE:** Avoid coughing or sneezing into your hands or in the air. Always try to cough or sneeze into a tissue, then throw the tissue away. If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your arm. Avoid touching your face.

**STAY HOME:** If children are feeling sick, keep them home from school. Allow them some time to feel better before returning to school so they don't risk infecting others.

### LOOKING FOR MORE INFORMATION?

For more information about how we are planning and preparing for a possible local outbreak of the coronavirus, visit our website: [www.milfordschools.org](http://www.milfordschools.org)