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HEALTH ALERT- NOVEL CORONAVIRUS MARCH 2, 2020

Dear Panama-Buena Vista USD Families,

We understand many of you may have questions regarding the recent outbreak of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) and how it may impact our district. We want to assure you we are closely monitoring information coming from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and continuing to seek regular updates from Kern County Department of Public Health (KCDPH). The CDC is providing daily updates and recommendations. Please click on the following link to stay updated: <https://www.cofdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/guidance-hcp.html>

Clinical symptoms and features of the COVID-19 include: Fever, cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, and a history of travel to Wuhan City, China in the last 14 days or contact with a person who was laboratory-confirmed with the virus or is under investigation for the COVID-19 while that person was ill. Other early symptoms to watch for are chills, body aches, sore throat, headache, diarrhea, nausea/ vomiting and runny nose.

While this is a serious public health situation, the CDC continues to believe the immediate risk to the general public remains low at this time. **There are still currently no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Kern County.** Yet, in today's connected world, outbreaks of diseases are always of concern. As with seasonal flu and strep infections, there are precautions we can all take to remain as healthy as possible.

For more information on the Novel Coronavirus and related resources, please refer to the following:

- [Coronavirus FAQ](#)
- [Coronavirus Poster](#)
- [Is My Child Too Sick To Go To School](#)

We will continue to work closely with the Kern County Public Health Department regarding this public health concern.