

Frequently Asked Questions - COVID-19 virus

Below please find the latest questions (and answers) that we have received about the school/district response to the COVID-19 virus. It will be updated as additional questions arise. (Information below is as of 03.09.20)

1. **What do I do if my child(ren) show signs of illness?** Please keep them home and contact your family physician.
2. **What is the best precaution for preventing the spread of the virus?** Please exercise proper hand washing as well as good coughing and sneezing hygiene.
3. **Where do I get additional info and resources?** Warren County Department of Health website.
4. **Is the school district preparing for a possible closure for an extended period of time?** At present (03.09.20), we are looking at all options for addressing public health concerns and are working closely with Warren County Department of Health and other government agencies to follow necessary protocols.
5. **Are school events/activities being cancelled at this time?** We have not cancelled any in-district or out of district events at this time (03.09.20).
6. **What do I tell my child(ren) about the virus and how do I help them understand what is happening?** Please remain calm and reassuring and give them age appropriate information. Try to limit over-exposure to the television news and social media.
7. **How do I help my child(ren) clean their electronic devices?** Cell phones and/or other electronic devices should be cleaned every day to help prevent the spread of germs. There are websites that give proper instruction on this, most of which discourage the use of Clorox wipes and similar products.
8. **What are the schools doing to help prevent the spread of viruses in the buildings/buses?** Additional cleaning efforts continue both in the school district buildings and on buses as do our messages to students about good hand washing habits. As noted, when hand washing is not an option, the use of hand sanitizers is an option.
9. **Can my student carry the hand sanitizer with them throughout the school day?**
This *is* allowable and we ask that you instruct your child not to share their sanitizer and that hand washing still is the best defense against spreading germs.
10. **Where can I get more information about our schools and district responses?** If you have specific questions or concerns, please reach out to the school health office. Specific questions may also be emailed to jmcavey@northwarrencsd.org to be forwarded to the appropriate person for a response.
11. **What else should I do?** Talk to your children about not sharing drinks, lip balm, utensils, etc.