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Dear Kids' Country Families,

The Coronavirus (COVID-19) has been a concern for all of us as we continue to receive updates. We have been regularly monitoring information provided by Contra Costa Health Services Public Health Department and receiving the same communication distributed by SRVUSD to all families. We have also been in communication with SRVUSD and with Community Care Licensing in order to be aligned with any plans moving forward. We have provided information from Contra Costa Public Health Department to all our staff regarding Coronavirus, so they are aware of symptoms and preventive measures. In addition, we have been planning and preparing in the event that our communities are impacted with this virus.

As we finalize our plans, we want to remind you of our Illness Policy as stated in the Parent Handbook (please see attachment).

- If a child exhibits any of the symptoms listed in our Illness Policy during our care, we will call and ask you to pick up your child.
- Parents should notify the Site Director if their child has been exposed to a contagious disease.
- When a communicable disease has been reported to the site by the parents or school office, notes are posted at the site and emailed to all enrolled parents/guardians. Parents may be asked to provide a doctor's note clearing them to return to school and normal activities.
- Kids' Country cannot accept a child into the program that did not attend school due to illness or becomes ill at school during normal school hours.

We want to also share the following information to reduce your risk of becoming infected. We are also helping our children practice these behaviors, as well:

- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. Children are also washing their hands when they arrive from school and when they come in from playing outside.



- People who are sick should always cover their coughs and sneezes using a tissue or the crook of their elbow; wash your hands after using a tissue to wipe your nose or mouth
- Anyone who is sick should stay home from work or school until they are well
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth with your unwashed hands
- Contact your healthcare provider if you or anyone in your home has symptoms **and** has had close contact with someone with symptoms who traveled in the last 14 days from any Level 2 or Level 3 area. (Please visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html> for more recent information)

In the event that anyone in your household or close circle of care becomes exposed, symptomatic or contracts COVID-19 whether it is confirmed or suspected, we require that your child or any sibling in the household not attend Kids' Country and can only return with a doctor's note indicating medical clearance in order to prevent the potential risk of exposure to other children and staff. They must remain at home for up to 14 days to prevent the potential spread of COVID-19.

**Individuals in the same household, including individuals who may not live in the household but may be staying there or are otherwise present in the household on a regular basis (e.g. nannies, caregivers, home health workers, contractors, etc.) are considered to be in close contact.**

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to reach out at our Main Office at (925) 743-9108 or visit the Contra Costa Health Services website at <https://cchealth.org/> and/or Center for Disease Control and Prevention at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.

Stay healthy,

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