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Dear Parents:

Autauga County Schools is working closely with the Alabama Department of Public Health and the Centers for Disease Control in order to implement the best tactics to provide safe environment for every student during this time of uncertainty with the COVID-19. Some points of interest to consider at this time are:

- Currently there is no vaccine to prevent coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).
- The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus.
- The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person.
  - Between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet).
  - Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes.
- These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs.

Therefore, we ask that you partner with us in order to stop the spread of this virus in our community and schools by discouraging the social gathering of your students during this time. **Movie Theaters, social parties, trampoline parks, crowded shopping areas, arcades, and etc... should be avoided over the next couple of weeks.** We must not treat this current situation with the school closings as a “Snow Day.” Instead, encourage your student and family to remain at home and enjoy some other forms of entertainment together in your home.

We must be diligent in protecting our family and loved ones by practicing social distancing, hand washing, covering our coughs and sneezes, and disinfecting our homes. Our elderly and immunocompromised are depending on us to do the right thing.