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Dear Wise School EC Families,

As we are all aware, the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, is a highly infectious, life-threatening disease declared by the World Health Organization to be a global pandemic. Unfortunately, there is no current vaccine or medication for COVID-19 or its related illnesses. COVID-19 is also associated with a serious and potentially deadly condition called Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C). Because COVID-19 is highly contagious, exposure to others or contact with surfaces that have been exposed to the virus can lead to infection. It is currently very difficult to control the spread of COVID-19 or to determine the exact exposure to the disease.

In light of this, Wise School has implemented safety rules and precautions in order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. Wise School is implementing all measures to prioritize your student's safety, which can be viewed on our <u>website</u>. The School is adhering to all local, county, and state guidelines concerning sanitization, distancing, training employees, and maintaining healthy operations. We understand that some of these changes may be challenging. Our goal is to work collaboratively and as a community to decrease the risk of infection.

Although the School is adhering to all guidelines and prioritizing student safety, these measures do not completely protect against the spread of COVID-19. Additionally, realizing that young children are developing in their ability to follow these protocols, it will sometimes be challenging for students to maintain a six-foot distance from one another. Therefore, the School cannot guarantee that students will not be exposed to COVID-19 or later MIS-C. In the event that your student exhibits symptoms of respiratory illness, a fever of 100.4°F or higher, or any other known symptoms of COVID-19, your student will not attend or return to School until he/she has satisfied the requirement of the protocol as stated on our website.

We have had an extremely successful start to the school year and appreciate your continued support in following our protocols and upholding our Covenant. We hope for a year filled with good health and blessings for our Wise School community.

Thank you,

EC Administrative Team