Dear Parents,

As government officials and agencies continue to comment on the coronavirus (COVID-19), we want to share information about planning and preparation efforts throughout The Maddux School and Ivymount School.

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has asked that schools and workplaces develop response plans that can be activated in the event that coronavirus cases arise in our area. Currently, there are no confirmed cases in the National Capital Region, according to the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

We are reviewing our existing illness response plans, coordinating with the public school system, and seeking input from DHHS and other county agencies that monitor public health issues. Recognizing that advance planning can mitigate the impact of events, we will prepare broadly including: implementing prevention best practices; reviewing attendance policies; and planning for a potential school closure. Our efforts will take into consideration the health and safety needs of all of our students and staff.

We will continue to update you as new information becomes available. In the meantime, we encourage all families to follow the CDC’s recommendations to prevent the spread of illness – wash hands frequently; avoid close contact with individuals who are sick; and stay home when ill.

Sincerely,

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Director

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