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For Immediate Release:

Re: PSAS and the prevention of the spread of viruses:

Amid ongoing concerns about the Coronavirus COVID-19, PSAS is closely monitoring the latest reports from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Colorado Department of Education (CDE) and The Pueblo Health Department. PSAS is taking some basic precautionary measures for the health and safety of our students and staff.

Our janitorial staff has ramped up its daily duties to deep clean and disinfect classrooms and common areas throughout our facilities. Staff will take a few minutes to and educate students on precautionary measures such as hand washing, sneezing and the elbow bump greeting just to name a few. The PSAS administration will work closely with building leadership on monitoring and reporting any cases that may exist on a campus or in a classroom in order to prevent the virus from spreading as best we can.

We are asking students, staff and families to report symptoms they may be experiencing to their teacher or school leadership. We encourage everyone to be a part of the solution and to stay up to date on the most recent news related to Covid -19. Use the following link to the Pueblo Health Department for updates <https://county.pueblo.org/public-health/covid-19>

Our teaching staff will be encouraging students to do the following:

- Wash hands often with soap and water or use a hand sanitizer
- Get comfortable with elbow bumping when greeting friends (rather than hand shaking)
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands
- Avoid contact with people who are sick
- Stay home while you are sick
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue, sleeve, or face mask when coughing or sneezing

Further updates will be issued via PSAS website, social media and school messenger.

PSAS will provide an integrated K-8 curriculum based on Paideia principles and anchored in the Arts and Sciences for the success of all students.

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