



Crow Creek Tribal School

103 Chieftain Road, Stephan, SD 57346



“TO GUIDE OUR STUDENTS TO BECOME LIFELONG
LEADERS IN EDUCATION, CULTURE AND THEIR
EVERYDAY WALK OF LIFE”

March 12, 2020

Protocol for Covid-19(Carona Virus), Flu, and Illness

To: All Parents, Staff, and Members of the Crow Creek Tribal School and Reservation

From: Mr. Scott Klautd, Superintendent

Re: Covid-19 (Coronavirus)

After a meeting with the South Dakota Department of Health and South Dakota Department of Education and consulting with Bureau of Indian Education on Thursday, March 12, 2020, the school is working to make sure all students and staff are as safe as possible.

The following steps should be taken at home and school (See Attachment):

1. Practice Good Hygiene
2. Consider Rearranging Large Activities and Gatherings
3. Handle Food Carefully
4. Stay Home if feeling sick or if you have a sick family member in your home

COVID-19 mimics the common cold and or Influenza. We are asking for help to remain calm and stay informed. If your child is having a fever, cough, sore throat, headache, or a combination of any of these symptoms, we ask that you keep them home. Frequent hand washing and covering a cough and or sneeze, and avoid touching your face will do great wonders in stopping the spread of this virus. Avoid crowds and person to person contact. Say Hello instead of shaking hands or fist bumping.

The school is maintaining contact with state department and are very aware of what is going on state wide. If you have any questions, please go to the CDC website or call the school at 605-852-2258.

If your student is sent home with signs and symptoms they will not be able to return until they go to the doctor, and have a note stating they may return. A form (See Attachment) will be sent home with your child stating the symptoms. We understand that absenteeism is a big issue and we will take this into

consideration and your child will be excused if sent home by the school. Your child will need a Doctor note upon return.

School Communicable Disease policy states:

“Children with a contagious or infectious disease or illness and children living in a house where someone has such a disease will not be permitted to attend school until they are cleared to do so by the School Nurse or Principal.”

The school appreciates your cooperation and we are here to help you fully understand the Covid19 and to keep you fully informed on this situation. Any updates from the DOH, BIE, DOE will be relayed to patron via Facebook, Webpage (Tribal and School), and posted in the community.

Keeping the school safe Encourage your faculty, staff, and students to...

Practice good hygiene



- Stop handshaking – use other noncontact methods of greeting
- Clean hands at the door and at regular intervals
- Create habits and reminders to avoid touching their faces and cover coughs and sneezes
- Disinfect surfaces like doorknobs, tables, desks, and handrails regularly
- Increase ventilation by opening windows or adjusting air conditioning

Consider rearranging large activities and gatherings



- Consider adjusting or postponing gatherings that mix between classes and grades
- Adjust after-school arrangements to avoid mixing between classes and grades
- When possible, hold classes outdoors or in open, well-ventilated spaces

Handle food carefully



- Limit food sharing
- Strengthen health screening for cafeteria staff and their close contacts
- Ensure cafeteria staff and their close contacts practice strict hygiene

Stay home if...



- They are feeling sick
- They have a sick family member in their home

What every American and community can do now to decrease the spread of the coronavirus



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Date:

Time:

Student's Name:

Dear Parent or Guardians,

Your child was seen and evaluated today for the following reason:

- Your child needs to be seen by your family healthcare provider. The Fort Thompson Indian Healthcare Service can be reached at (605) 245-1500.
- Your child is being sent home and needs to be symptom free for 24 hours before returning to school.
- Your child is being sent home for the day.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call (605) 852-2258.

Printed Name _____

Signature _____