



OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
RICHARDSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Richardson ISD Parents,

The health and safety of our students and staff remains our highest priority, and I'm reaching out with an update on COVID-19 as we plan for next week's spring break.

RISD Health Services staff are continuing to monitor the situation closely and remain in contact with our local health authorities in Dallas County. As a district, we continue to prepare for the possibility that cases may occur in RISD, and we will make decisions based on facts, guidance, and recommendations from health authorities and the Texas Education Agency.

As our schools prepare to be closed the week of March 16-20 for spring break, here is important information to know:

- We know many families and staff intend to travel over the break. Those with travel plans are highly encouraged to closely monitor and follow [travel advisories and guidance from the CDC](#) related to COVID-19.
- RISD will adhere to the guidance of health authorities related to quarantine/monitoring restrictions for students or staff who travel internationally. Specifically, students/staff travelling to countries for which the CDC has issued a Level 3 Travel Health Warning, which are currently China, Iran, Italy, and South Korea, or any additional countries added to the CDC Level 3 list over spring break, are expected to stay home for 14 days after their departure date from the Level 3 Travel Health Warning country.
- RISD will work with families affected by an extended absence to resolve any attendance issues due to a self-quarantine from travel.
- **Richardson ISD requests that families with plans to travel internationally any time before the end of the school year, including cruises, [please complete this survey form](#).** RISD Health Services staff will use the information collected to provide direction and information to families who visit countries for which the CDC has issued a Level 3 Travel Health Warning.
- While RISD schools continue to be cleaned daily at the elevated level implemented during flu season, campuses will receive additional thorough cleaning over spring break.
- After spring break, any students newly enrolling in RISD or who visit an RISD clinic with flu-like illness will be administered a travel screening questionnaire to determine if CDC or health authority recommendations should be put in place.

We remain committed to keeping you informed about RISD's preparations related to the COVID-19 outbreak. You can find the latest district information by visiting www.risd.org/cv19.

Wishing all RISD families a restful, safe and healthy break.

Thank you,

Jeannie Stone, Ed. D.
Superintendent