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Superintendent's Report for: March 2020

Budget (ED 279): Just FYI for our CMP costs. Supplier: Constellation NewEnergy, Inc.; Start: November 2018; Term: 36 months (through November 2021); Product: Fixed, All-Inclusive; Price: \$0.06940/kWh

Other: The principals and I were invited and met with the other Fivetown administrators and nurses on 3/2 to talk about the coronavirus and discuss how to respond if a student contracts it, what happens if school needs to shut down, how we would make that decision, etc. Local infectious disease specialist Dr. Cheryl Liechty attended this meeting to advise us.

From the National Association of School Nurses:

School nurses lead health promotion and disease prevention in schools. School nurses can decrease fears and promote prevention of COVID-19, the flu, and other illnesses. School nurses can continue to be proactive by advising students, families, and staff to:

- Stay home when you are sick. If possible, stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick. You will help prevent others from catching your illness. Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth. Germs spread this way.
- Cover coughs and sneezes. Use a tissue to cover coughs and sneezes, then dispose of the tissue. When a tissue is not available, cough or sneeze into your elbow.
- Clean and disinfect surfaces or objects. Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at home, work or school, especially when someone is ill. Find additional CDC resources on how to clean and disinfect schools.
- Wash hands for 20 seconds. Washing hands often under clean, running water can help prevent the spread of germs.
- For more guidance see the CDC: When and How to Wash Your Hands. If you cannot wash your hands, use alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60-95% alcohol.

School nurses should:

- Provide factual updates, as needed, regarding flu rates in the area, COVID-19 and tips to help decrease public fears.
- Consult with primary care providers, local, and state health departments if they observe individuals with symptoms or circumstances that seem to match those related to COVID-19 exposure.

NASN will continue to monitor and provide information on implementing CDC's recommendations.

For CDC updates go to <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/index.html>.

Superintendent's Report for: February 2020

Better feedback for teachers on their instruction: The principals and I met on 2/26 to talk about their latest observations and give each other feedback on comments and to talk about how to continue to work to make the process more meaningful.

All evaluations for all principals, including the staff surveys to incorporate into the evaluations, were completed on time.

Legislative Issues and involvement at the state and national level to voice and address issues for small rural school districts:

Policies: The new tobacco policy will be ready for review at April's meeting. This is based on revisions in the law that do not allow possession of tobacco or tobacco products for anyone on school property, including adults.

Visits to classrooms: Worked with Lynette Olsen 2nd AVS 2/4

Snow day count: 5 days used HES & LCS and 4 days AVS (as of 2/24/20)