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Dear West Chester Area School District Community,

I'm writing to notify you that out of an abundance of caution, Henderson High School will be closed for intensive cleaning tomorrow. We received notification today that a Henderson High School student was exposed at a healthcare office in King of Prussia on March 5 to a person who tested positive for the coronavirus. This student is *not* exhibiting any symptoms, and the Chester County Health Department is *not* testing him for coronavirus at this time. However, the student and family are under a 14-day quarantine and will not be back to school until that quarantine is lifted.

All evening activities for Monday March 9 and Tuesday March 10 are canceled.

All Henderson staff should work from home on Tuesday.

We have consulted closely with the Chester County Health Department on this matter. They have told us that we do *not* need to screen or quarantine any of our students or staff.

We have been diligently cleaning our schools and offices, including classrooms and high-touch areas such as desks, surfaces and door knobs. Extra cleaning staff will be temporarily assigned to Henderson for even more intensive cleaning. We are also promoting frequent hand washing.

We understand that this issue is sensitive and complex. We are doing our best to take guidance from the information and consultation from health officials. As always, if you have any questions about coronavirus please contact your health care provider.

Thank you for your patience and support as we navigate the complexities surrounding this virus.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Jim Scanlon'.

Dr. Jim Scanlon, Superintendent

