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Dear Parent/Guardian,

With the increased intensity of news reports and social media posts regarding the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), we have engaged our students in a COVID-19 training session. This training was designed to help increase awareness about the virus and formally respond to their questions and concerns. We want to continue to instill the importance of healthy hygiene to our students so that they will know how to protect themselves and others from the threat of viruses. As always, our school works closely with public health officials and follows all of their expert recommendations to ensure the safety of everyone in our school.

Our students have been well informed on best practices in preventing the spread of COVID-19, and other viruses such as the cold and flu. All students who participated in the training received a certificate of completion. Students who were not present will receive training upon their return to school. The training session included a discussion focused on the items below:

- Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for 20 seconds. If not available, use hand sanitizer
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or upper sleeve when coughing or sneezing.
- If using a tissue, throw it away and wash your hands
- Avoid contact with people who are sick, have a fever or are vomiting
- If you are sick, please stay home for at least 24 hours after illness and avoid contact with others

Great Lakes Academy utilizes both **Study Island** and **Compass Learning** as supplemental educational tools. These tools can also be used at home to continue your child's learning if he or she becomes ill. If this occurs, please reach out to your child's teacher for assistance. We have open and effective lines of communication with our public health officials and will alert students, staff and parents as we receive new directives related to COVID-19.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mr. Philip Yaccick
Principal and Chief Administrative Officer