Dear HAAS Parents and Guardians,

With the worldwide concern over the Coronavirus (COVID-19), we at CSUSA and HAAS want to assure parents that we are carefully monitoring the situation and are in touch with local and state health officials regarding planning and implementation of emergency procedures. Currently, the Florida Department of Health has reported 2 presumptive cases in Florida and is awaiting confirmation from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). For the most updated information and tips for prevention by local state and federal authorities, visit http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/COVID-19/index.html.

We are told that the risk for COVID-19 is low, however the common flu potentially has a greater impact on our staff, students and community. We would like to ask parents to partner with us and take precautions to proactively protect their health at home and remind students to use best practices to keep illnesses under control. Please follow all standard prevention procedures, such as frequently washing hands with soap for at least 20 seconds, staying home if any symptoms are detected, staying hydrated and treating symptoms such as fever. Our teachers, offices, and counselors have hand sanitizers available in their rooms.

If COVID-19 spreads to our area and officials order school closures, we will follow our emergency procedures already in place. In the event of a required multiple consecutive day closure of school due to illnesses, we will provide blended learning options and will keep parents advised of online learning opportunities for their children.

Please stay calm and note, the Florida Department of Health is working closely with the CDC to monitor the current outbreak and is actively working to ensure that the most up-to-date CDC guidance is followed. Now is our time to prepare just in case. Thank you for your continued support and trust.

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