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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

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To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads, Administrators of Nonpublic Schools  
Route To: Building Principals, School Nurses, School Staff  
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### **Updated Guidance and Resources Regarding 2019 Novel Coronavirus**

Note that the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) has updated its guidance for K-12 schools regarding the 2019 Novel (new) Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) that was first identified in Wuhan, China, in December.

The NJDOH [2019-nCoV webpage](#) contains extensive information and should be checked frequently for the latest updates.

Updates that may affect school districts, as of February 2, 2020, include:

- [Managing Students Returning from China – FAQ](#)
- [Managing Employees Returning from China – FAQ](#)

Again, please refer to the main [2019-nCoV webpage](#) for additional information and guidance, and check this site frequently to stay abreast of the most recently updated documents.

As a reminder, the NJDOH has established a hotline (1-800-222-1222) to answer questions about the 2019 Novel Coronavirus. Operated by the Poison Information and Education System, the 24-hour public hotline is staffed with trained healthcare professionals and can accommodate callers in multiple languages.

Also, the New Jersey Department of Health [Local Public Health Directory](#) lists all local health departments in the state.

The New Jersey Department of Education will continue to keep school districts updated through methods such as Broadcast memos, social media and webinars. In addition, the NJDOH encourages school officials to keep up-to-date on the latest information by checking the 2019-nCoV webpage and following them on [Twitter](#) @njdeptofhealth, [Facebook](#) /njdeptofhealth, [Instagram](#)@njdeptofhealth and [Snapchat](#) @njdoh.

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