

Transcript of Dr. Sieu Interview 2.26.2020



ABCFT - What is ABC doing to inform parents and staff about the Coronavirus?

Dr. Sieu - We have been informing both staff and our families about preparing for the coronavirus by talking about ways to prevent it. If students who are sick please have them stay home. We understand that there has been only one case in Los Angeles County related to the coronavirus. We wanted to make sure we don't miscommunicate information. We are working very closely with the Los Angeles Office of Education and the County Department of Public Health to make sure that we get advisories from them as well.

ABCFT - What will be the District's plans should the coronavirus were to spread in the county?

Dr. Sieu - We are very seriously taking many of the issues that have been discussed with us and we are going to need a lot of different conversations about the plans should it continue to spread in the county. We recognise that families are very concerned should this continue to spread or grow in the county. We will continuously work with both the county of public health as well as our own LA County of Office of Education and will always keep in touch with both our staff members as well as our families.

ABCFT - What are the protocols for staff and students regarding cleanliness?

Dr. Sieu - I think it's really important that one of the things to prevent any kind of virus is making sure we wash our hands very often throughout the day. Not only for our students but for all employees as well. It is also important that many times some people think that wearing face masks are part of the solution, but actually it's not because we have noticed that many times students take off their masks for eating purposes and then touch their faces at the same time. So, it's very important that we are aware of some of the things that we have to



make sure too that our hands are very clean at all times.

ABCFT - How will the District Office communicate to employees any changes in the situation?

Dr. Sieu - Any time there is a change or update we will always communicate with all of our employees by email as well as information from the district office. This is very critical for us at this time and so we want to make sure our employees are as knowledgeable as any of us at the district office.