A Message Regarding the Coronavirus
from President and CEO Patricia D. Wellenbach

The health, wellness and safety of everyone who walks through our Museum doors is of paramount importance and is our first priority.

As a children’s museum, we routinely monitor guidance by leading health organizations including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to remain informed on best practices and guidelines related to public health issues. Please Touch Museum is actively monitoring the evolving coronavirus situation and continues to implement preventative measures as part of our ongoing commitment to the health and well-being of Museum visitors and staff.

We are open for visitors during our normal operating schedule unless otherwise notified. The Museum is dedicated to the cleanliness of our exhibits – we dedicate 55 employee hours per day to sanitizing our spaces. Our protocols include:

- Requesting staff and visitors stay home if they are sick, and not to return to the Museum until they are fever/symptom-free for a minimum of 24 hours
- Daily cleaning by an accredited professional cleaning company after hours to sanitize our exhibits to help eliminate the spread of germs
- Daily cleaning by Museum staff during operating hours, including public restrooms, dining spaces and a scheduled rotation of exhibit props
- Providing access to handwashing facilities – including child-height sinks – as well as 55 hand sanitizing stations throughout the building for use in between handwashing
- Quick response to spills, accidents and exhibit props that may become dirty throughout the day
- Encouraging visitors to bring filled water bottles from home as our water fountains are temporarily shut down out of precaution. During this time, discounted water is available for purchase in our Café.
- Regularly scheduled Museum closures for deep cleaning and sanitation, our next closure is Monday, March 23

As a learning institution, we encourage you to visit the CDC website to read more about everyday preventative measures and for the most up to date guidance regarding the coronavirus. By working together, we can help prevent the spread of illness.

Yours in play and in health,

Patricia D. Wellenbach
President and CEO
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