

As of today, March 2, 2020, we are planning to move forward with the 2020 Leadership Seminar as planned, beginning with the scheduled pre-session events on Wednesday, March 4 through lunch on Saturday, March 7. We have been closely monitoring the coronavirus situation and recommendations coming from the local tri-county region health department, the Oregon State Health Authority, and the Center for Disease Control as well as the governor's office. As of this morning, there has been no public state of emergency declared by authorities at any level and health officials at all agencies are giving the same message. They are urging good hand hygiene, covering coughs, and staying home if you are sick.

We have also been in contact with the Sheraton Portland Airport Hotel. In addition to the hotel housekeeping we see them do daily, each night, year-round, a cleaning service provides the hotel with thorough cleaning of all frequently touched hard surfaces throughout the hotel.

While we have made the decision to hold the 2020 Leadership Seminar, we understand that despite the current health authorities' recommendations, there still may be some of you who are reluctant to attend. Under the current circumstances, Teachers Development Group is reversing its refund policy for the 2020 Leadership Seminar. We will provide a 100% refund of the registration fee for anyone who decides not to attend. Please contact tdgseminar@teachersdg.org to make a refund request prior to 1:00 pm on Tuesday, March 3, 2020.

I look forward to seeing you Wednesday for what promises to be an extraordinary learning experience about mathematics teacher leadership and equity.

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