A message from MONROE TWP

Dear Monroe Community,

We were informed today that a student at Woodland School tested positive for COVID-19. The last date the student was in school was on Thursday, 12/3. To maintain safety for all, we will be moving Woodland School to full remote status for 14 days beginning tomorrow, 12/8. All classes will be taught virtually for 14 days. Schools will reopen on December 18 for hybrid students. All close contacts were identified and notified to quarantine for 14 days.

We were also notified today of a district staff member testing positive. Close contacts were identified and notified.

Over the weekend, OEM notified the district that 5 high school students and 3 middle school students tested positive. All of the high school students have been full remote so there are no contacts identified. The last date that 1 middle school student was in the building was 12/1 and the last date that 2 middle school students were in the building was 11/25. Due to the timeline, no close contacts were identified.

We were notified that a student at Brookside School tested positive. The last date the student was in the building was 11/30.

Please be advised that illnesses, especially COVID-19 positive results, must be reported to the school nurse even while students are fully remote and schools are not open for on-site instruction. The nurses are required to monitor and report the health and wellness of our students and staff to the health department and should be aware of what is happening among our school families. Please feel free to contact your school nurse with any questions or concerns.

Our system will only work if we are committed to continuing safe practices. This means wear a mask, wash and sanitize your hands frequently, maintain social distancing when possible, monitor your own and your family’s health, if your child is in the Hybrid Learning Model DO NOT send them to school, in person, if anyone in the family unit is ill or symptomatic of COVID or the flu, and of course, rapid self-report so we can initiate immediate contact tracing and quarantining.

Unfortunately, with more cases being reported, it is becoming more difficult to keep schools open. I will continue to notify the community of any cases within our school buildings and I am committed to keeping schools open as long as we can continue safe practices. However, I encourage all families to plan for alternate plans in case the district or any school must move to full remote status.

Thank you.

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