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Dear Chesterfield Elementary School Community,

This letter is to inform you that today we learned that we had two students and one staff member, all in our in-person instructional model, test positive for COVID-19. The District is coordinating closely with public health officials and following CDC, state, and local health department guidance in order to assure the health and safety of our community.

As a result of the positive tests, the district sent students and staff in two classrooms home today to quarantine for 14-days as per CDC guidelines. We are also asking the parents of those students to keep any other child attending Chesterfield Elementary School home for the 14-day quarantine period.

Although our school has not been the cause of community spread, community spread is all around us. Under the new guidelines from the Department of Health, I am concerned that we will not have the staff in the building to continue our in-person learning models. Please begin to prepare for the possibility of moving to the Virtual Learning Model for students currently in our in-person learning models.

Contact Tracing is underway. If you are identified as a close contact (within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more) you will receive an additional notification. No further action is required if you do not receive an additional notification.

We encourage parents and students to continue following the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention promoted safeguards, such as:

- Staying home when you are sick;
- Washing hands often with soap for at least 20 seconds;
- Covering coughs and sneezes and properly disposing of tissues;
- Limiting close contact with people who are sick and not sharing food, drinks and utensils;
- Practicing social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart);
- Wearing a face covering while in school; and
- Continuing to monitor your health for symptoms.

As always, we appreciate our community's support and cooperation. You can assist us by remaining vigilant, but sensible, in your approach to dealing with this health concern. Should you have any questions about this situation, please feel free to call me directly at (609) 298-6900 x1230 or email me at sheino@chesterfieldschool.com.

Sincerely,

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