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Dear Chesterfield Elementary School Community,

This letter is to inform you of COVID-19 activity in Chesterfield Elementary School. Over the weekend we were notified of one individual who tested positive. This individual is in our remote instructional model and there was no exposure in the building. Since yesterday, we've been notified of 4 additional positive cases. Contact tracing in the school has been completed. If you were identified as a close contact (within 6 feet for 15 cumulative minutes or more over 24 hours), you received additional notifications in the form of a phone call and letter. If you did not receive additional notification, no further action is required.

The District is coordinating closely with the Burlington County Health Department (BCHD) and following CDC and State guidelines in order to ensure the health and safety of our community. Per the guidelines of the BCHD, Chesterfield Elementary School may remain open. As of this date, there is no evidence of a COVID-19 spread from within our building.

We appreciate our community's support and cooperation; however, the pandemic continues and we must all do our part to keep our students and staff safe. We are proud of the fact that we have not experienced spread from within our building, but that is a direct result of following Department of Health Guidelines and all members of our school community doing their part to keep our school safe. It is important to understand that the rate of new positive cases in the Southwest Region of the state has dropped significantly in the last week, but even with that decrease, the rate of new positive cases in our region continues to be at the "Very High" level. **Any individual who is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or being tested and/or waiting for results should remain home from school and notify the school nurse.** Should you have any questions about this situation, please feel free to call me directly at (609) 298-6900 x1230 or email at [sheino@chesterfieldschool.com](mailto:sheino@chesterfieldschool.com). You may also contact our school nurses at (609) 298-6900 at extensions 1212 or 1215.

Sincerely,

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