

Covid-19 Special Announcement

Wednesday, November 18, 2020

The Line Mountain School District received notice of 2 positive Covid-19 cases, one each in the elementary and high school. The elementary student was last in school on Thursday, November 12th. The high school student was last in the building on Monday, November 16th. The high school student is not involved in extracurricular activities or any school district sponsored athletics right now. Our health professionals and administration are working with the Department of Health regulations for contact tracing.

The district uses the following resource from the Department of Health when completing the contact tracing: <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/Documents/HAN/2020-PAHAN-533-10-26-ADV%20-%20Additional.pdf>

Additional contact tracing information can be found on the Pa Department of Health's website: <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Guidance/Contact-Tracing-FAQ.aspx>

Following DOH contact tracing protocols, families who were in "close contact" (within 6 feet for more than 15 minutes) with the COVID-19 positive person were notified and instructed to quarantine. As a result of this contact tracing, we will have to quarantine the 2 confirmed students and 1 additional elementary and 7 high school students.

The DOH's current recommendation for a person in close contact to a positive case is to quarantine for 14 days from the last day of contact. Therefore, the quarantine will run through Friday, November 27, 2020 and all students may return to school on Tuesday, December 1, 2020.

Staff, students and families have been contacted about this positive case. As community spread and DOH designations are updated each Monday. We are aware that changes in our current school instructional model may occur.

Finally, three major steps that continue to protect us as a school community is wearing face-coverings, social distancing, and isolating/removing anyone with symptoms. If your child displays any symptoms or has had direct contact with someone who has tested positive, please keep your child home, notify the school and we will work with you to provide your child's school work. We are grateful to our faculty, staff, and students for their diligence and focus on following our Health and Safety Plan.

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