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In the Event of a Positive COVID Test Result on Campus

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Dear Parents, Faculty and Staff,

As the school districts across New York State have reopened for the 2020-2021 school year, the guidelines for the continued daily operation of the district continue to be reviewed, modified, and updated. Specifically, the Department of Health has provided a revised protocols in the event that there is a Confirmed COVID positive case in the district.

If the Washington County Department of Health has a confirmed positive COVID diagnosis of a student, faculty or staff member, the district will be applying an **automatic closure** and period of remote learning for the entire building in which the positive case exists for a **minimum period of twenty-four (24) hours**. During this period, the district will work in conjunction Department of Health, who will begin their initial investigation and contact tracing procedure. The results of the Department of Health investigation will then determine the extent of possible exposure and recommendations for further quarantine and/or reopening the district.

In the event that we have a positive case on campus, I will notify the community of that fact as well as the date(s) of the closure via Robo-Call as well as a posting on our website. As such, it is VERY important that the district has an accurate telephone number as well as email address for you. While we hope that the district will continue to remain COVID free, we want to ensure that we inform our community of the various scenarios that we may encounter.

We appreciate your continued support of the district during these trying times. If you should have any questions regarding this information, I would encourage you to please contact your child's administrator or myself.

Sincerely,


Patrick Dee
Superintendent of Schools