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RE: AMPS Student Positive COVID-19

Good Evening Miller Place School District Community,

Today our School District contact traced **several cases** of staff members and students (in all our schools) who have been determined to be **close contacts to other individuals outside of school** who have tested positive for COVID-19. These students and staff members have been quarantined and will not be permitted to return to school until they have satisfied the guidelines detailed in our return to school protocols (**between December 1 - 5, 2020**).

In addition, tonight we contact traced **one Andrew Muller Primary School student positive case**. The student tested positive today, and has not been in school since Monday. The student was not symptomatic or feeling ill when last in school. It has been determined that **three additional students**, and **one staff member** are close contacts, and they will also be quarantined for 14 days. Probable close contacts are individuals who have been **in the 6 foot proximity** of the tested positive individual, **for at least 10 minutes, without wearing a mask**. The student who tested positive, and the identified close contacts will not be permitted to return to school until they have satisfied the guidelines detailed in our return to school protocols. All students and staff affected have been directly contacted by our school administrators. SCDOH should notify these individuals, who should remain **at home for a 14 day quarantine period**, and are not permitted to return to school **until after December 7, 2020**.

The health and safety of our students and staff remains a priority of our District. It is important to be reminded that symptoms of COVID-19 are similar to seasonal flu with symptoms that may include fever, coughing, vomiting, shortness of breath, sore throat, runny nose, headache, losing the sense of smell and/or taste, as well as feeling lethargic. If your child, or any member of your household, is exhibiting any sign or symptom of COVID-19 please immediately seek medical attention. Additional information regarding Contact Tracing and Testing for COVID-19 can be found on the District website, Reopening Schools webpage at <https://www.millerplace.k12.ny.us/Page/5967>

Notification of Positive COVID-19 Students and Staff - Over the holiday season, if a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, and the District is closed, **please do not wait** until school reopens to notify us. **Please call the Safe School Hotline** to report the information (it does not have to be anonymous) and an administrator will contact you. You can call the Safe School hotline at (800) 418-6423, extension 359. In addition, information regarding how to text, or submit information electronically, can be viewed on the District website: <https://www.millerplace.k12.ny.us/domain/865>

Thank you for recognizing individuals who test positive for COVID-19 are entitled to privacy rights, therefore more specific information may not be available to you. If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact your child's school nurse or principal.

Thank you.

Dr. Marianne F. Cartisano
Superintendent of Schools