

# Miller Place Union Free School District

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March 20, 2020

Dear Parents, Guardians and Staff,

The District has been informed that we have our first confirmed COVID-19 case. An Andrew Muller Primary School staff member was feeling ill and was tested for the virus. The staff member is recuperating at home, and was never hospitalized. Due to HIPPA regulations, the District cannot release the name of any individual who is tested or confirmed to have the virus.

We contacted the Department of Health about this specific situation and they advised the District that notification to staff or to our school community is **not necessary** and the District needs **no additional action**. However, the District wants to take action to keep you informed, as like in most communities, the Coronavirus is now present in ours.

There is **no health emergency** regarding this incident. Our buildings have been cleaned according to health guidelines, and surfaces were cleaned several times a day up until the last day students were in school, March 13, 2020. Since then our Operations staff has been disinfecting our schools with the appropriate products to promote a clean and healthy environment.

The Andrew Muller Primary School **is a safe environment**, and the Department of Health has no past or current concerns regarding our facility or the health of staff.

Please continue to take all precautions to keep you and your families well. The Department of Health is advising school districts that this virus is **being passed through community spread**. Therefore, we can expect to hear others in our area are testing positive for the virus. Please practice social distancing, wash your hands, and keep yourself informed using sources such as the Center for Disease Control (CDC), New York State Department of Health and Suffolk County Department of Health websites.

For your reference, this and all Connect Ed messages regarding COVID-19 have been posted to the home page of the District website at [www.millerplace.k12.ny.us](http://www.millerplace.k12.ny.us) and the District Facebook page for your continued reference.

We thank you for your continued understanding that many aspects of COVID-19 are changing and remain unknown.

Be safe,

Dr. Marianne Cartisano  
Superintendent of Schools