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Dear Tonawanda City School District Students, Staff and Families:

We have received information today regarding a confirmed case of COVID-19 of a person participating in the hybrid instructional program at the MS/HS building. For reasons of confidentiality of personal health records and protected information, we cannot legally provide the name or any other personally identifiable information regarding the individual who tested positive.

We are working with the Erie County Department of Health regarding this situation. They have determined, based on the potential for exposure on Tuesday, November 10, 2020, that additional contact tracing of students or staff members may be necessary. The district and/or the Erie County Department of Health will contact students and staff that are considered to be close contacts with this individual.

Your receipt of this notice **DOES NOT** mean that you or your child have been exposed to or have come in close or proximate contact with the individual who has tested positive. The district wanted to share this information out of an abundance of caution and transparency within our school community as we work closely with the Erie County Department of Health.

The District put in place infectious disease health and safety protocols to minimize the spread of the virus and any other illnesses. This includes additional and repeated sanitation of our buildings and equipment along with appropriate measures to ensure social distancing. Please review our website at www.tonawandacs.org for more information about our re-opening plan and the precautions taken by the District. You may also visit the Erie County Department of Health website at www.erie.gov for additional information and links.

All students, parents, guardians, siblings, and staff should continue to monitor their health for symptoms of COVID-19 and follow the guidelines listed on the District website with regard to daily temperature screening and completion of the health questionnaire prior to arriving at any school or district facility. Please remember, if you are ill or experiencing any of the symptoms of COVID-19, stay at home and contact your medical provider for assistance.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership with our district. Please contact your building principal for additional information or to answer any questions that you may have. Go Warriors!

Sincerely,

Timothy A. Oldenburg, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools