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Jersey 100 Panther Family,

As the number of positive COVID-19 cases rise in Jersey County, we want to update everyone on some of the precautions we are taking at Jersey CUSD 100. Rest assured the administrative team evaluates the COVID-19 situation hourly/daily. The safety and security of the faculty, staff, and students are the first and utmost priority. The District will continue to practice safety protocols such as everyone must wear a mask and continue to practice social distancing as much as possible. Staff and students are asked to frequently wash their hands and/or use hand sanitizer. Please know that as Jersey 100 will continue to work with the Jersey County Health Department the Health Department Officials are the only ones that can instruct people to quarantine. Jersey 100 school administration will continue to contact staff and students when they have been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19. The Jersey 100 administrators will let them know they have had exposure and they will need to contact the Jersey County Health Department for further guidance.

As long as Jersey 100 has the staff available, *the schools will stay open*. It is the goal to keep the students in school as long as possible. This has been the District's goal since the <u>Return to Learn Plan</u> was adopted at the beginning of the school year. The Return to Learn Plan allows parents to choose to have their child(ren) learn remotely and can choose to do this at any time. However, the students must continue to learn remotely until the end of the quarter. They can return to in-person learning at the beginning of a new quarter.

There may come a time where the State government may impose stricter precautions and everyone must go to remote learning. We definitely want all parents, guardians, and students to be ready to go to remote learning if this time comes. Sometimes information from the state comes on short notice and we have to be prepared to act when it does.

Thank you for your help and patience so far this school year. We definitely have to work together to ensure we are doing the best for our students and families. Please let us know if you have any questions and/or concerns regarding this matter. Keep in mind that there may be many rumblings in the public about what the schools are doing or not. If you have questions and/or concerns, do not hesitate to contact us.

Respectfully, Jersey CUSD 100 Administration