

# Geneva Area City Schools

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## Board of Education

135 South Eagle Street  
(440) 466-4831, Ext. 1154

## High School

1301 South Ridge East  
(440) 466-4831, Ext. 4001

## Middle School

839 Sherman Street  
(440) 466-4831, Ext. 2001

## Austinburg Elementary

3030 Route 307 - Austinburg  
(440) 466-4831, Ext. 6001

## Cork Elementary

341 State Route 534  
(440) 466-4831, Ext. 5001

## Geneva Platt R. Spencer Elementary

755 Austin Rd.  
(440) 466-4831, Ext. 3001

Dear Geneva Teachers, Staff and Community,

The Geneva Area City School District wishes to inform you that the Local Health Department is investigating a case of COVID-19 at Geneva Middle School, Geneva High School and Austinburg Elementary. During the time that the cases were potentially infectious, the staff was in the following schools:

\*Geneva Middle School / Geneva High School - certified staff / teacher with a last day at GMS Thursday, November 19, 2020. The staff member received a positive test on 11/21/20.

\*Geneva Middle School - 7th grade student with a last day of Tuesday, November 10, 2020. The positive test was received on Friday 11/20/20..

\*Austinburg Elementary/ Transportation: Noncertified staff member (driver / cafeteria) was sent home on Monday, November 16, 2020. The staff members received a positive test result as of yesterday (11/21/20).

COVID-19 is a contagious respiratory disease that is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person from people who are in close contact. Generally, close contact is defined as being within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more. Symptoms of COVID-19 typically appear 2-14 days after exposure and may include fever/chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficult breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea. For more information visit: [www.coronavirus.ohio.gov](http://www.coronavirus.ohio.gov).

The Local Health Department will be calling all close contacts in this matter. It is highly important that all contacts answer or return health department calls in this very important matter. If you have concerns, the Local Health Departments can be reached between 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays at:

- Ashtabula County Health Department, Jefferson, OH (440) 576-6010
- Ashtabula City Health Department, Ashtabula, OH (440) 992-7123
- Conneaut City Health Department, Conneaut, OH (440) 593-3087

The best way to prevent COVID-19 is to practice social distancing; wash your hands often; avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth; wear a facemask; cover cough and sneezes; don't leave your home when you are sick, clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces often, and monitor your health daily.

Sincerely,

Eric M. Kujala

Superintendent