South Lewis Central School District

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November 30, 2020 (Letter #2 from 11/30)

Dear South Lewis School Community:

South Lewis Central School District has received a second notification by Lewis County Public Health that two additional individuals connected to the District have tested positive for COVID-19. One of the two individuals has not been in-district since Thursday, November 19, 2020. The second individual was last in-district on 11/24. There was limited exposure on 11/24 which will require select individuals to be placed into quarantine. However, it will not impact the overall operations of the school district and our ability to provide in-person instruction at this time.

Lewis County Public Health, as they do with all positive cases, is in the process of performing all necessary aspects of contact tracing calling and will notify any individual or household that may have been exposed. The contact tracing process slows the spread of COVID-19 and helps to protect you, your family, and our community. If you are contacted by Lewis County Public Health due to contact with this case or any other, please follow their recommendations. If you are not contacted it is because you have not been identified as a close or proximate contact.

Our School Re-Opening Plan was developed to address potential positive cases. The District continues to follow our policies, procedures and protocols to ensure the health and safety of all. We also continue to work closely and collaboratively with Lewis County Public Health, county officials, and the health system for the benefit of the entire school and local community.

As much as the District is working to be completely transparent in this matter, we are also required to protect the privacy rights of our students. The District is not permitted to release any additional information. Thank you for your understanding.

Please continue to be vigilant in practicing and encouraging good hand-washing and hygiene, wear face coverings, and practice social distancing. These actions are the foundation of keeping yourself and others safe and healthy. Safeguarding the health and safety of our schools and community starts with everyone and is only as strong as our weakest link.

Thank you for your understanding and ongoing cooperation as we work to help protect our students, staff, and entire school and local community. Be well and be safe.

Sincerely,

Mr. Douglas Premo

Superintendent of Schools