

REETHS-PUFFER SCHOOLS

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Dear R-PHS Community,

I am writing to inform you that three additional individuals in our High School community received positive test results over the weekend. We immediately began the “contact tracing” process. Our first responsibility is to keep our students and staff safe. We have been planning for this scenario during our reopening planning process and have a comprehensive plan in place to sanitize and disinfect the school, inform families whose students were in close contact, and support the affected family as they navigate this stressful experience.

After speaking with the affected individuals and investigating the situations, we have determined that there are no **“close contacts” at the school** to the persons identified as being positive.

In total, at the High School, we currently have twenty three confirmed positive cases and twenty six individuals who have needed to quarantine as a result of being determined to have been in “close contact” with those who tested positive.

Though we cannot provide specific information about our school community members who tested positive, rest assured, unless you have been contacted directly by a High School Administrator or Public Health **you/your child were not close contacts** (defined as being within 6 feet of the person for at least 15 minutes) of the individual who tested positive.

As always, families should contact their primary care physician immediately should their student or someone in their home begin to show symptoms of Covid-19. We will continue to follow all Public Health protocols and be vigilant in adhering to all of our health and safety protocols in an effort to continue in-person learning.

We are committed to continuous communication with and support of our families. Thank you for your ongoing support.

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