



Butteville Union Elementary School
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Dear Butteville Families:

We are informing parents and guardians that a student or staff member has been diagnosed with coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). This person was on school premises for the week of November 30-December 4 and may have had direct exposure with other members of our school community.

Butteville Union Elementary campus is already closed as of December 4, but students and staff were present all last week. We are working closely with the Siskiyou Public Health Department and Siskiyou County Office of Education to identify anyone who had close contact with the person and was potentially exposed.

Although there is potential exposure for everyone, we are paying particular attention to the kindergarten and second grade classes. Please be patient as we evaluate the situation. If necessary, the school will contact families to ask that you please stay home and monitor for symptoms of cough, shortness of breath, or a temperature higher than 100.4°F, and practice social distancing for 14 days from your last contact. If you are not contacted by the health department or school, you do not need to stay home or exclude yourself from activities at this time. Last potential contact with the COVID positive individual would have been on December 3, 2020.

All parents should continue to monitor their child's health and the health of their families for [COVID-19 symptoms](#) and look at our county public health website for more information: <https://www.co.siskiyou.ca.us/publichealth/page/covid-19-links-resources>

Children with COVID-19 generally have mild, cold-like symptoms, such as fever, loss of smell or taste, and cough. Vomiting and diarrhea have also been reported in some children.

Children with certain underlying medical conditions, such as chronic lung disease or moderate to severe asthma, serious heart conditions, or weak immune systems, might be at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19. Contact your child's healthcare provider regarding any concerns.

People without symptoms do not need to seek care or be tested. Those who become ill should contact their healthcare provider. Their doctor, in consultation with public health officials, will determine appropriate care and whether testing is necessary. If your child has been exposed to, or

diagnosed with COVID-19, please report this to your school. This information will be kept confidential.

Schools continue to utilize Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations on [Reopening Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfecting Public Spaces](#), to reduce viral transmission and keep our children and school personnel healthy and safe. Parents and family members can assist this effort by promoting healthy behaviors and following these practices:

- Stay home from school or work if sick, even if symptoms are mild.
- Wear a face covering in areas where physical distancing is difficult to maintain.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue (or sleeve), and then throw the tissue in the trash. Immediately wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol.
- Avoid touching the eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Clean and disinfect surfaces that are often touched.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Take care of your health overall. Stay current on your vaccinations, including the flu vaccine, eat well, and exercise to help your body stay resilient.

Please be safe and follow these guidelines during the upcoming holidays. We will keep you updated.

Sincerely,

Eric Bragg, Principal

Len Foreman, Superintendent