



# Prairie City School District

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December 8, 2020

Hello Prairie City Families:

A positive case of COVID-19 was reported today, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020. This is difficult news and impacts all who are part of the school community. While we are not able to share personal-identifiable information, we care deeply about keeping our community informed.

Here's what we know about the COVID-19 case reported:

- Today an individual at our school notified us of their positive test result for COVID-19.
- It has been 1 day since the individual was last in contact with staff or students in our district.
- The individual involved has been asked to stay home and self-isolate, as have any those who were in close contact.

The safety and well-being of our staff and students is our top priority.

Our district has taken these action steps:

- We've contacted, and are working closely with the Grant County Health Department
- We've contacted all person(s) who were in close contact with the individual.
- We've notified all students and families.

It is important to note that all individuals are working closely with their health care provider for proper care and follow up. We will continue to monitor the COVID-19 activity in our community and do what is needed to keep our students safe. If we continue to have more cases we will work with the Health Department to determine if continued in person learning is safe or if we need to consider an online learning environment for a period of time.

Please understand that all of our actions (school, community and home) impact our school environment. You can help by:

- Wearing mask indoors and wearing a mask outdoors if 6 feet of distancing cannot be maintained.
- Washing your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Avoiding touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Covering your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze.
- Staying home if you feel ill.

After someone contracts COVID-19, if they develop symptoms they will usually appear within 14 days. Symptoms include:

- Fever or chills

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- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

We appreciate your support as a parent and as a community member in your efforts to keep our students in-building. Please continue to check our webpages and social media sites for updates.

Please, if you have any questions, call the school at 541-820-3314.

Thank you and Go Panthers!



Casey Hallgarth, Superintendent  
Prairie City School District #4

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