

## **Regional School Unit 1**

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Dear RSU 1 Staff and Families,

A student at Phippsburg Elementary School and one at Bath Middle School, siblings, have recently been presumed positive for COVID-19. The students have not been in school during the period of infection and transmission. Therefore, we do not need to conduct contact tracing and exclude students and staff from attending PES and BMS due to these presumptive positive cases. We are notifying staff and families out of an abundance of caution.

Upon learning of the confirmed presumptive positive cases, we implemented our response protocol. We must follow privacy laws and protect the confidentiality interests of every student and staff member, while also ensuring that we are protecting the health and well-being of all members of our school community. We are committed to keeping our students and staff safe and appreciate our working relationship with the Maine Department of Education, Maine CDC, and school physician, Dr. Amina Hanna.

Questions for the school can be directed to the Phippsburg Elementary School Nurse, Brandi Tainter, by calling 207-389-1514 or emailing <a href="mailto:btainter@rsu1.org">btainter@rsu1.org</a> or for questions regarding Bath Middle School, you may contact Diana Hixon at 207-443-8270 or emailing <a href="mailto:dhixon@rsu1.org">dhixon@rsu1.org</a>. For general COVID-19 questions, dial 211 (or 1-866-811-5695). You can also text your ZIP code to 898-211 or email <a href="mailto:info@211maine.org">info@211maine.org</a>. Call a health care provider for any questions you have about your symptoms. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/coronavirus">www.maine.gov/dhhs/coronavirus</a> or <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus">www.cdc.gov/coronavirus</a>.

Sincerely,

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