



Aleutians East Borough School District

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Greetings Members of the AEBSD Community:

As you all know, on Friday September 25, 2020 AEBSD became aware of a positive COVID-19 case in Sand Point. This was documented in Eastern Aleutian Tribes CEO Paul Mueller's letter distributed on September 25, 2020. The positive case in Sand Point was not directly tied to Sand Point School although initial contact tracing suggests possible exposure to some students through contact. Any individual identified as a close contact will be instructed to quarantine for 14 days and will be referred to the EAT Clinic. The school district is implementing the necessary parts of the SMART START plan developed over this past summer.

Please do not feel the need to panic over this singular case. The Aleutians East Borough School District administration is in regular contact with EAT and has been monitoring the situation closely since we first became aware of the positive case. The school will continue to be completely sanitized based on CDC guidelines, as required.

Today a discussion took place with EAT Staff, the Department of Health and Social Services, the School Board and the administration. At this time, school will be closed to students from September 29, 2020 through October 2, 2020 during which time we will be further evaluating the situation. If schools will be closed to students beyond October 2, 2020, we will notify the community as appropriate.

Sincerely,

Patrick Mayer,
Superintendent